Labour's left in ploy to abolish Lords

posal to achieve the necessary majority to the House of Lords by packing it with r Party supporters is disclosed in a ential draft election manifesto of the national executive. It also proposes a for an almost dole-free society and the iction of a 35-hour working week.

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ernment should secure the creation of the required maj-ority to bring this about, Such a proposal, which could only be implemented by a future Prime Minister, and it may not be Mr Callaghan, would undoubtedly readure a would undoubtedly produce a political and constitutional

The unemployment proposal, according to sources, arises out of suggestions that came from the Prime Minister's Office when Labour was last in orth and was touched upon in the last reneral election manifesto. A key proponent was Dr Bernard Donaghue, who was head of the policy unit at the time, and based his arguments on developments in Sweden.

Other proposals include: A progressive move, over the lifetime of the next Labour Parliament, to a 35-hour working week, without loss of pay; longer holidays, time off for study and earlier voluntary retirement.

A national plan to regenerate Britain's industrial base includ-ing the establishment of a National Planning Commission. It would also mean that a Labour Government would take statutory powers to make planning agreements effective.

A future Labour Government would establish a big public enterprise stake in each important industrial sector. Public ownership would be extended into microelectronics, pharmaceuticals and modical equipment and appropriate the contraction of the con mut, and construction. Labour would also set up at

investment fund to channel money from pension funds and life assurance companies, along with public revenues, particutrial investment; establishe a National Bank based upon Giro and the National Savings Bank the wording will no mended, the draft to compete with the central cases that the unselected House of I be abolished and sary, a Labour Gov-



Viktor Korchnoi whose presence has ensured the absence of any Soviet Union competitors.

Peak time at chess congress

By Alan Hamilton The highest megawattage of grandmasters assembled in Britain for more than 40 years was switched on with an almost was switched on with an antistic audible hum of brain cells yesterday for the opening of the Phillips and Drew Kings international chess tournament at County Hall, Loudon.
A fournament of such power

has not been seen in Britain since 1936, when Blackburn and Bird played at Nottingham, and it is seen as an indication of the vigorous revival of British chess.

The combined power of the 14 contestants is 35,650 on the Elo scale, the chess players' measuring scale of ability; 12 international grandmasters have

been inined by two of England's

presence has ensured the absence of any competitors from the Soviet Union.

Karpov, the world champion, and Romanishin, another Russian grandnaster, accepted personal invitations from the British Chess Federation to take part, but a subsequent telegram from the Soviet Chess Federation informed the British organizers that they would not be attending.

No explanation was given, but the organizers are in no doubt about the reason. They preferred the presence of Korchnot, giving him the opportunity to play in the most highly-rated tournement since his defection. Five British

Five Brinish players are taking part, including Tony Miles (rated 2,545) who became our first grandmaster in 1975, and Nigel Shore (2,360), the outstanding 14-year-old from Atherton, near Bolton, considered by many to be the strongest player for his age since Bobby Foscher.

The home team is completed by John Nunn (2,515), who went up to Oxford at 15 to become, he believes, the youngest undergraduate since Cardinal Wolsey; Michael Stean (2,530), Korchnol's second in the world title

fight against Karpov; and Jona than Speelman, another young Briton on his way to grand-

master status. Mr Stewart Reuben, the tournament director, believes that the remarkable revival of British chess, culminating in the team being placed third after the USSR and Hungary at the recent European Team Cham-pionships, is the result of tak-ing British chess by the scruff of the neck in the middleseventies and giving it a thorough shaking.

Phillips and Drew, the stock-brokers, have put £21,000 into brokers, have put £21,000 into this new contest, and the Greater London Council has weighed in with a further £8,000, part of the proceeds of its weekly lottery. The total prize money of £10,000, and the first prize of £3,000, are believed to be British records. One of the highlights of the 16-day tournament comes on the second day today when the second day today when the **YOUTHILL** seasoned Korchnoi, who is the favourite. Master Short revealed before the start of play yesterto Oxford at 15 to become, day that he had been training believes, the youngest underfor this momentous meeting...

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Israelis send more troops

From Christopher Walker Metula, April 10 Amid growing international

troops based several miles across the border was reported

earthmoving equipment could be seen fortifying Israeli posi-tions in three different areas of the Christian buffer zone known as free Lebanon, includ-ing one in disputed territory

According to United Nations sources, the Israelis used bull-dozers to cut new roads in the rugged terrain and to throw up defensive earthworks around

Considerable military activity was visible in this northernmost Israeli town today but correspondents were forbidden to cross the border. During the afternoon Israeli combat aircraft flew low over the area.

A United Nations spokesman told The Times that all mem-

bers of the 6,000-strong peace-keeping force in south Lebanon had been placed on "the high-est alert" in the face of the

the sudden show of military force is intended to be purely

In an interview published by

influential Hebrew newspaper, General Avigdor Ben-Gal, who commands Israel's northern forces, claimed today that an offensive policy by the Israeli army would force the terrorists to make real and psychological offensive capabilities.

Mr Carter chides his allies as EEC delays action on Iran

By Our Poreign Staff
Friends and allies of the United States in Europe are

still shuffling their feet uncomstill shuftling their teet uncom-fortably in response to Ameri-can requests for cooperation in action over Iran. They want to show solidarity, but they have been reckoning the cost of sanctions and doubt that they would be effective.

In Lisbon yesterday the EEC Foreign Ministers agreed not to make a decision on President Carter's call for sanctions. Reserving judgment, they decided instead to instruct their ambassadors to demand the release of the 50 hostages held in Tehran. The question of sanctions was not debated.

The French have been the least willing to adopt a tough

least willing to adopt a tough position on Iran. The West Germans, however, have been lobbying actively for strong measures in support of the United States.

Meanwhile, there is a feeling in Rome that the Americans have put their allies in an embarrassing position—first, by being too weak in their early reactions to the crisis in Iran, and now in expecting members of the EEC to follow the Americans' more rigorous posi-

President Carter in Washington yesterday indirectly accused America's allies of dragging their feet over Iran, in a ging their reet over frant. In a speech to the annual meeting of the managing editors of the American press, he said:

"People constantly ask America for a response to myriad, and often conflicting, concerns.

Nations ask for leadership -at the same time, they de-mand independence of action. They ask for aid, but reject interference. They ask for understanding, yet often decline to understand us in return. Some ask for protection,

but are wary of the obligations of alliance. Others ask for firmness and certainty, but at the same time demand the flexibility required by the pace of change and the subtlety of

events."

These problems were illustrated perfectly by the Iranian crisis, Mr Carter added. "No other single event seems so ful nation."
Europe's view: Officials of the

European Commission have cal-culated that the EEC would risk the loss of 6.9 per cent of its external oil supplies if it went ahead with senctions and provoked Iran into sbutting off the oil tap (Michael Hornsby writes from Brussels).
The EEC could "live" with

the loss of Iranian supplies, which in any case have de-creased dramatically since the Shah's overthrow, but it would

still hurt.
In 1978—the last year of the Shah's rule—the EEC imported 1.55 million barrels of oil a day 1.55 million barrels of oil a day from Iran, or 16.3 per cent of the Community's total imports of crude. Last year the com-parable figures were 656,000 barrels a day and 6.9 per cent, a decline of almost 60 per cent. Some EEC states are more

dependent than others on Iranian supplies; for example, West Germany last year pur-chased 12.6 per cent of its oil imports from Iran, Denmark 14.5 per cent, and Ireland 16.9

The position of member states based on 1979 data, is as follows (the figures in brackets give imports from Iran as a percentage of the country's total imports of crude, includ-ing imports from Britain): West Germany: 228,000 barrels a day (12.6 per cent)

France: 124,000 barrels (5.4) Britain: 94,000 barrels (7.1) Holland: 90,000 barrels (8.2) Belgium/Luxembourg: 52,000 barrels (7.9).
Italy: 48,000 barrels (2.1) Denmark: 14,000 barrels (14.5)

Ireland: 8,000 barrels (76.9) If oil supplies from Iran were cut off, Britain, as the EEC's only oil producer, could come under pressure to guscantee a minimum level of supply to its Community partners and thus deplete its reserves faster than it might wish. The Germans have long been pressing for a commitment of this kind.

The mechanism for sharing oll supplies in a crisis is only activated if the EEC suffers a shortfall of at least 7 per cent -a bigger shortfall, in other

The night of bright lights over Britain

Nocturnal dog walkers, sober and responsible air traffic controllers and normally coherent citizens of good standing leapt to their telephones in the early hours of vesterday to seek advice and ask for an explanaadvice and ask for an explana-tion of trails of fire, flashing lights and incandescent slows which filled the night sky.

In Manchester, 40 people telephoned the police to tell of bright lights illuminating their bedrooms and in Stephana

bedrooms and in Stockport there was a report of "an object" landing in a field. Investigating police found noth-ing. At Manchester Airport, are traffic controllers saw the sky illuminated by an unexplained bright light and at Hucknall, near Nottingham, an object with a fiery tail whished just a local resident to land in a field. Again, nothing was tound. From Bristol and North Wales

to the Scottish border, reports of unusual happening, in the sky flooded into police stations. A woman at Allerton Bywater near Leeds told of a white flare in the sky which lit up her bedroom. When she looked out she saw "a trail of fire". A man walking his dog through Adel Woods. Leeds, saw a "maroon flare" which lit up the sky and another man in Adel telephoned another man in Adel telephoned the police to say he had seen a white flare at about 500 feet in the air between Adel and

they received nine separate re-ports from different parts of the county of sightings in the slow. Mr. John Ward, of Newlands Drive, Acomb. York, reported a something like a large white

made it fairly clear that some sort of galactic phenomenon occurred and that this was not purely imaginative rerun of Star Wars Early reports that the night

lights had been produced by falling space debris entering the atmosphere were quickly discounted by an unusually con-fident explanation from the Ministry of Defence. Two showers of meteorites

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likely in settling British claim

Minister

Even if an agreement is reached then, its final approval by Belgium, now in the raroes of a government crisis, would have to await the formation of a new Cabinet.

a pretext for countries such as France to argue for postponement of a final decision until the EEC's summer summir meeting in Venice in June in the belief that the British claims could be whittled down in the invertex Surha down in the interim. Such a delay

presidency until the end of June. He will chair the summit meeting, and he is expected to

whose country helds the EEC the next two weeks. There is no doubt that the Italians, and most other mem-

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for Mrs Thatcher.

ber states, were glad to post-France and Britain, in particular, had reached their nadir.

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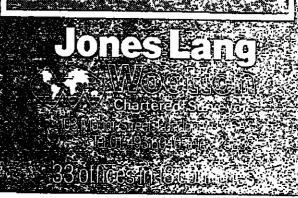
or Mrs Thatcher. man Chancellor. But there is Still no hard evidence that the

A recent estimate by Mr Roy Jenkins, President of the Europeen Commission, that less than £250m now separated what Britain was demanding from engage in preparatory talks what other countries were pre-with other EEC leaders during pared to offer was ridiculed by pared to offer was ridiculed by the French as "incredible".

For their part the British insist that they are not ready to make more than a "modes" pone a meeting which had all net contribution to the budget, the makings of a demaging and certainly not more than confrontation over the British budget issue. Relations between more than £180m or so. and certainly not more than France. This would imply no more than \$180m or so. To achieve this Mrs Thatcher

would need a cut of at least Since then tempers have £900m, Yet, on the evidence colled somewhat, and there was available, £500m is the absolute a notably better atmosphere in maximum that even the most London at the end of last month generous of Britain's partners

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money supply is coming under when the figure is seasonally likely to show a rise but it should in February. This was the first the Government's new monetary broad-based measure for monetary was 0.5 per cent up in the month, suggesting that the Government e its 7-11 per cent growth aim

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ter of the new cars sold in Britain tree months of 1980 were imported opean factories of British manufache market share of foreign makers The increase in BL's share of sales cent to 23.74 per cent is attributed Page 19

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ommission's recommendations, an er on working hours was made in Council. No agreement had been ever, on emergency duty payments :7,000 paramedical staff, the Society hers said Page 2

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estitute of British Architects is to see if members wish to be allowed beir services and take directorships

Offer of asylum for some Cuban refugees

Some of the 10,000 Cubans at the Peruvian Embassy in Havana have been offered asylum in the five Andeau Pact countries and Spain. Peru said after an emergency meeting of the pact that it would accept 1,000 refugees, but it is not known how many the other countries will take

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Murdoch loan inquiry

United States Senate banking committee investigators are inquiring into a low-interest loan given to Mr Rupert Murdoch, the Australian publisher. Press reports have suggested a link between its exceptionally low interest rate and support for President Carter's reelection expressed by Mr Murdoch's New York Post

Dr Kung keeps chair

Professor Hans Küng, the theologian barred by the Vatican from teaching Catholic theology, will retain his chair at Tübingen University. It will be detached, however, from the Catholic Theological Faculty and placed directly under the original professor of the university senate Dr. King. the authority of the university senate. Dr Küng said he found the solution "acceptable and very honourable on the part of the university" Page 6

Seamen back action day

The National Union of Seamen recommended its 33,000 members not to work on May 14, the TUC's day of action against government policies. As other unions signified their support, Mr Len Murray, general secretary, said: "If we cannot get a proper hearing in Downing Street, we have to speak out in Trafalgar Square" Page 2 Barcelona: A Catalan Parliament meets for the first time in 41 years at a nostalgic session which ignored secessionists shouting outside 6

Italy: Hundreds of carabiniers carry out raids against suspected terrorists in four cities 6 Deprived areas: Government ministers are being asked to reconsider cuts in aid to places where unemployment and crime are linked 4 Classified advertisements: Personal, pages 26, 28; Car Buyers' Guide, 26; Holidays and Hotels, 25; Appointments, 25, 27

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David Robinson on Nicholas Roeg's Bad Timing and other new films in London: Michael Church on Death of a Princess (ATV); Irving Wardle on Only in America Wardle on Only in America (Round House) Obituary, page 17 The Rev Dr Maurice Barnett, Mr Gerald Abrahams, Archimandrite

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Stock markets: Equities drifted upwards all day while gifts bardened slightly after the banking figures: The FT Index closed 0.5 up at 431.8 Financial Editor : Bowater, Asso-

ciated Biscults, banking figures, Ladbroke Group and Selection Trust Rusiness features: Frank Voel on the removal of controls from American telecommunications companies; A computer company where business is solving social problems is described by Kenneth

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across Lebanese border

Amid growing international protests, the Israeli army resinforced new positions inside Israeli incursion which began southern Lebanon today in at dawn yesterday.

United Nations officers are sceptical of Israeli claims that sawlden show of military

to have increased to about 350.
The Israeli authorities have blacked out all but the barest information about their new operation. But senior United Nations officials claimed that heavy

which the United Nations say they control.

their new positions. Considerable military activity

defensive. The Israeli action was hunched in reteliation for Monday's Palestinian raid on an isolated farming kibbutz a

few miles from here which left three Israelis dead and 16 injured. In spits of repeated diplomatic inquiries Israel has refused to reveal how long it intends to keep the troops inside Lebanon. Ha'aretz, the

make real and psychological efforts to defend their posi-tions which would decrease

a joint declaration setting out the basic principles that would govern the negotiations, Señor

Because of the international political picture, he said, Israel had not taken the offensive against Palestinian terrorists based inside Lebanon for the past six months. His remarks

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Foreign Office denies apology to Saudis over Princess's execution film

The Foreign Office was trying last night to cool the controversy over the ATV film, Death of a Princess, which depicted the public execution a Saudi princess accused of adultery with a commoner.

A spokesman denied that there had been any apology to the Saudi Government. Members of Parliament had accused Lord Carrington, the Foreign Secretary, of "crawling" to the Riyadh Government and apologizing to a "reactionary, feudal state

pains to point out that a mes- cool to the point of hostility sage from Lord Carrington to within the Kingdom and the the Saudis did not constitute an showing of the film will unapology as the film was not of doubtedly contribute to that. the Covernment's making and However, reports that the Saudi Government was considering retaliation over oil supplies or therefore Whitehall could not be held responsible for it. Lord Carrington's message trade would seem to be wide of expressed regret for any the mark.

cause in Saudi Arabia. It added that the British Government had no power to interfere in the editorial content of pro-grammes, still less to ban them. The showing of the programme came at a sensitive Foreign Minister, summoned juncture for the Saudis. Not the British Charge d'Affaires only was there considerable dis-agreement within the Saudi

royal household about the advisability of the execution of was summoned to London and Princess Misha'al, but the Saudis instructed to return to his post. are going through a phase of extra-sensitivity to the West. British businessmen - are The Foreign Office was at already finding the atmosphere ATV before the showing of the

was aware of the strength of Saudi feeling.

vent the film being shown.

The Foreign Office detailed the following sequence of events: the British Ambassador in Jiddah, Mr James Craig, left the Kingdom on vacation on March 29. On April 3, Prince Saud al Faisal, the Saudi

to express his concern The next day Mr Craig, who had been on holiday in France, The spokesman said that Sir Ian Gilmour, the Lord Privy Seal, had been in touch with programme on Wednesday night to ensure that the company

A spokesman for ATV said that he knew nothing about reports that the Saudi royal family had offered £5m to pre-

By Ronald Kershaw

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Yeadon. North Yorkshire police said

flare" passing overhead. The multiplicity of reports

entered the atmosphere at 12.30 am, the ministry said, and

EEC summit date fixed but delays would be politically disastrous. Helmut Schmidt, the West Ger-

Brussels, April 10

The postponed EEC summit meeting, which was to have been held last week with Mrs been held last week with Mrs by Signor Francesco Cossiga, Saier.

The date of the Luxembourg still no hard evidence that the meeting was announced today respite will make a solution and by Signor Francesco Cossiga, easier. Margaret Thatcher's claim for a reduction in Britain's contri-bution to the Community's budget at the top of the agenda, will now take place on April 27 and 28 in Luxembourg.

This difficulty could provide

Accord on steps to reopen Gibraltar border

Lisbon, April 10.—Britain and Spain have agreed on the first steps to reopen the land frontier of Gibraltar, closed by Spain in 1969. Señor Marcelino Oreja, the Spanish Foreign Minister, said today that Britain and Spain,

today that Britain and Spain, acting in a spirit of friendship, had reached agreement on starting negotiations and the two sides would meet by July 1 to work out a timetable for ending the restrictions. Both countries agreed to issue

Oreja said. Spain has made clear its aim to restore the country's territor-ial integrity and Britain has

Medical workers given improved offer after protest walkout

"About 70 per cent of our

where demonstrations were held to explain our case, the

radiographers in health service

hospitals.
The National and Local
Government Officers' Associa-

tion, which represents 20,000 paramedical staff, also called

out its members and reported a

75 per cent response.
"The radiographers were

the most militant because they

have so much to lose. They are

also more organized because

they work in hospitals, whereas other paramedical staff, such as

chiropodists, are more isola-

the Whitley Council are to meet Dr Gerard Vaughau, Min-ister of State for Health,

The Royal College of Nursing said yesterday that it was bitterly disappointed about Dr Vaughan's statement that the

nurses' pay settlement this year would have to be in line

with the Government's cash limits of 14 per cent. The nurses had claimed 30 to 35

More unions

day of action

Mr Len Muray, general

secretary of the Trades Union

Congress, yesterday defended the May 14 day of action against the Government's "damaging and vindictive" policies as further groups formally signified support for

The National Union of Sea-

men made clear that it was hoping to halt British shipping

on the day. The union has strongly recommended its 33,000 members not to sail or report for work on May 14.

Mr Murray said in London:

"If we cannot get a proper bearing in Downing Street and

Whitehall we have to speak out loud and clear in Trafalgar Square. We are driven to the

activity of protest right across

The National and Local Gov-

ernment Officers' Association, representing 750,000 white-collar public service workers,

public service workers, promised full backing for any

members who face disciplinary action if they take part in the

The passenger service group

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By Our Labour Staff

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ciliation and Arbitration Ser- firmed that it "expected" rice and had believed that members to stay away from

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Members of the staff side of

Health Services Correspondent An improved offer on working hours for Britain's 37,000 paramedical staff was made in the Whitley Council yesterday as their first one-day

strike was coming to an end. Two thirds of the National Health Service radiographers, physiotherapists and speech therapists staged a day of protest over the recommendations of the Clegg comparability com-mission that they all work a 374-hour week.

Radiographers now work a 35-hour week, physiotherapists 36 hours and speech therapists 33 hours. Only if they worked the longer hours would they get the full 15 per cent pay rise recommended.

The Society of Radiographers said last night that an improved offer on hours had been made but no agreement had been reached on other issues, in particular on emergency dury payments. They were now paid 75p a night for stand-by duty and the Clegg commission had recommended £1.50.

Mrs Lesley Payne, the society's assistant industrial relations officer, said she hoped further progress would be made today. The strike had been "extremely successful". Radiographers left skeleton

convener ill'

Mr Derek Robinson, the former British Leyland convener, went on believing that British Leyland would do a deal with him after his dismissal. Re

believed that even after men in

the Longbridge plants where he was employed had refused to strike in support of his re-

That was disclosed yesterday

tribunal, where is was said that

Mr Robinson's dismissal from

his toolmaker's job on Nov-ember 19 last had made him

Mr Robinson was to have explained to the tribunal why he had made a claim of unfair

dismissal 10 days outside the statutory time limit of three

But the tribunal agreed to an adjournment requested by Mr John Bowden, Mr Robinson's representative, and will hear the claim on April 30 to con-

sider the preliminary point of whether the tribunal has juris-

diction to hear a full claim of unfair dismissal.

Robinson's application had been made he had been visited by an

Mr Bowden said that after Mr

a Birmingham industrial

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From Our Correspondent

to some private steel companies

By Donald Macintyre Labour Reporter

Hopes of averting a possible members took part. At hospitals steel strike in private companies less than two weeks after setlement of the national patients were very sympa-thetic", she said. The society represents 9,000 of the 10,000 public sector stoppage rest on a meeting of union leaders next Wednesday.

The Iron and Steel Trades Confederation executive will consider its next step after the breakdown of negotiations for about 4,000 private sector workers under the auspices of the industry's Midlands Wages

delegates Union delegates have rejected an offer from employers representing about 20 companies of a 15.5; per cent increase with fringe benefits, including holiday provision, which would bring the total to

17 per cent. The un originally union demanded 25 per cent but has since made clear that it is seek-

ing 31 per cent.
Although the executive will be under some local pressure to recommend industrial action, it will elso consider opting for a rarely used machinery of independent arbitration contained in the

wages board procedure.
That would involve Mr
Alfred Fieldhouse, formerly
part of the board's wages
secretarist and now resired, secretarist and now resired, taking on the duty of president" to consider the difference between the two sides and making a recom-

mendation.

The workers involved are mainly in rerolling plants and include employees of GKN, Duport and the Discile Group. The outcome of the negotiations will be watched closely by those involved in separate talks covering the rest of the 20,000 ISTC members in the private sector. mendation.

private sector.

Mr William Sirs, general secretary of the ISTC, declined yesterday to say what recommendation he would make to the executive on Wednesday.

But it appears by no means a But it appears by no means a foregone conclusion that the executive would endorse strike action without first resorting to the arbitration procedure.

The members involved were mostly solid in support of the public sector strike when pri vate companies were involved. staying out for between four and six weeks.

From Ronald Kershaw The breakdown in talks is bound to cause anxiety among private steel producers struggling to recover from the effects of the national stoppage.

Tube stations to close early

London Underground workers stations at 10 pm on the next two Fridays and Saturdays in their attempt to get more protection from assaults.

The decision, by the National | the corporation's n Union of Railwaymen executive, comes after the one-day stop-

Strike threat Mr Carlisle gets a friendlier reception

Harrogate
Members of the National Association of Schoolmasters Mr Carlisle had prefaced his and Union of Women Teachers speech by saying that he did (NAS-UWT) gave Mr Mark not expect every delegate to Carlisle, QC, Secretary of State Government's politics. "But I such a friendly reception in Harrogate vesterday that their discusses." Harrogate yesterday that their general secretary had to warn the minister not to misinterpret their kindness as acquiescence to many of his statements.

The good bumour and respectful behaviour of the 1.000 delegates at the union's annual conference was, of course intended to be in marked contrast to the rough recep-tion given to Mr Carlisle on Tuesday by left-wing teachers at the National Union of Teachers' conference in Black-

There were rumblings of discontent yesterday when Mr Carlisle tried to explain the Government's policies on public expenditure, but the only really angry shours came when he said he disagreed with the NAS-UWT's view that the profession Murray, the laism of teachers would be retary is to inhibited or destroyed by a ference today.

would expect that where we disagree we would be able to argue out the disagreement in a civilized manner [loud appleuse]. and in a feeling of nutual trust and respect for

Thanking Mr Carlisle at the end of his address, Mr Terence Casey, the union's general secretary, said: "The minister's priorities for schools are not very different from our own, but somehow they get rough handled when they get to people in local authorities like Trafford."

Earlier, delegates had voted to undertake."

Earlier, delegates had voted by nine to one to oppose any consideration of participation in the TUC's day of action on May 14 against the Government's spending cuts. Mr Len Murray, the TUC general secretary, is to address the conference and we

Mr Ronald Cocking, reasurer of the NAS-UWI, said that Mr Murray had made clear that the day of action did not constitute a trade union dispute. It must therefore be a political dispute, Mr. Cocking said.

organization. We treat both parties in power with the same respect of derision. Our strength as a union has had a that we have not got bunches of stupid lefties who hang banners from balconies and walk out on ministers, of what-

A motion "vehemently condemning recent and proposed cuts in education expenditure, damaging to the education of children in our care and ultimately for the whole future of the country" was passed

Delegates listened in silence when Mr Carlisle later told them: "For all our problems, I' stand by our commitment to maintain, and where possible to improve, the quality of educa-

costs and improving productivity will be shaped by talks with unions over the retrenchment programme. That will lead to the loss of a further 30,000 colors.

reached on the loss of 22,006. It is expected that talks will start in the next 10 days.

Mr David Houghton, the cor-poration's commercial director, said that in trying to recover-its market share the key point.

to get across to customers was the elimination of doubt in people's minds and to impress

on them that the corporation

was a consistent and reliable

Architects to hold poll on

A poll is to be held of all evening members of the Royal Institute Mr Bryan Jefferson, presi-of British Architects on whether dent of the institute said they wish to be allowed to yesterday that he believed advertize their services and there was a growing desire for

of British Architects on whether was a growing desire for they wish to be allowed to yesterday that he believed they wish to be allowed to yesterday that he believed that for take directorships in property change among architects and building firms.

The announcement of the poll would "turn out to be a non-by the institute's council yesterent and that in two years' terday came after a 2-1 vote time we will be wondering what in favour of a poll at a special all-the-fors was about".

Weather forecast and recordings

right to advertise

Turning to comprehensive re-organization, he said that he wanted to point out to those who, believed that a Conserva-tive government was opposed to conservative schools that he half approved five of the six schemes for schemes for comprehensive reorganization on which he had

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From Richard Garner

Times Educational Su

Blackpool

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Mr Peter Kennede

of the National I. Teachers (NUT), spe the last day of the un ference in Blackpool, a

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teachers' pay is to be on Monday, and ne

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Meanwhile an at stop the quarrelling was made pessenday, gates passing a mot that the union shou

Mr John Williams, Royal, Cheshire, suga members should "loc

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so far taken decisions. On examinations, Mr Carliste said that education interests were divided about the proposed new Certificate of Extended
Education (CEE) for pupils at
the age of 17. Just over half
were in favour of its introduction and the rest were opposed
to it in varying degrees.

While he thought we should beware of regarding public examinations as the only worth while incentive to a complete programe of work, he thought there were telling arguments in favour of an examination that provided a goal for young people of modest abilities who intended to enter employment at 17 rather than continue their fulltime education.

He believed that the new examination should have some

Private aid

level since the early part of the 1960s, and that reduction comes as the corporation faces increasing costs which it is unable to pass on in higher prices.

At the same time it is being planning Reporter forced to carry through a massive remembers effort to remain within the government in a desperate effort to remain within the government's cash limit of £450m in the current financial year.

With plants in Scotland, the wider private participation of mon sind steel the hope the larger national Services, indicated vesterday.

Northeast and South Wales the larger national good intesting of from sind steel the hope the larger national and intesting the business it has lost the business it has lost the poration will have regarded the product of the shift of the core realize their socials responses towards its government set financial objectives by reducing costs and improving producity will be shaped by talks with a partnership between the public

renewal schemes in the United States had resulted from a partnership between the public and private sectors, in Britain there was still too great a dividing line

Although he realized that this was not the best time

Police hunt jogger

UWT favouring while the NUI decit

He was speaking at the end of an Anglo-American conférence at Sunningdale, Berkstire, at which his cosponsor was Mr. Victor Marrero, President Carter's Under-Secretary for Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

ment (HUD).

Among the companies taking part in the conference, were General Motors, IBM, the Bank of America, RCA, British Petroleum, Marks, and Spencer, Pilkington, Shell and British Oxygen

economically to persuade indus-hry to take initiatives, com-panies, should realize that they fould not hope to theire if the economy was moriband and society in disarray.

He said: "We can deal with prices and terms of contracts, but we have to reconvince them spaced about 30 m 35 who on supplies".

extradition From Arthur Osma Mr Richard Glen the office of the Public Prosecution four witnesses to co ments of their evid

names in cases like. The magistrates

them to the Quai the French judicial consider during ext ceedings which are

BSC warned about sales slump

By Peter Hill
Industrial Editor
The British Steel Corporation could lose steel sales estimated to be worth £300m a year unless production and customer confidence can quickly be restored.
That was the stark warning issued last night by one of the leading organizations representleading organizations represent-ing the corporation's customers as steel works up and down the country approached the end of the first week of work after the damaging 13-week strike.

the damaging 1s-week strike. Soundings among users, according to the Institute of Purchasing and Supply suggest that the strike has probably cost the corporation about 10-per sent of its share of the linited Kingdom steel market. The corporation confirmed that figure which amounts to figure, which amounts to a potential loss of about 1.6 million tonnes with a sales value of about £300m a year.
The institute said last night that in the short term the ini-tial loss could be even greater

and added that steel buyers were reluctant to buy from the corporation until full produc-tion had been resumed, and that

Nearly all the steel workers

in Yorkshire and Humberside

had returned to work with enor-

mous enthusiasm and nothing

was more appalling to them than the thought of another strike, Mr Derek Canbani, the

British Steel Corporation's per-sonnel director, said in Shef-

As he spoke, a joint working party of management and

There was an immense will

Sheffield

in the future and will be looking to independent producers in the United Kingdom or to foreign producers to supply part of the requirements, the institute said. Mr Gorden Sambrook, the

"It seems that many companies may not be prepared to

rave BSC as their sole supplier

corporation's commercial managing director, last night underlined the importance the corporation attached to regaining its lost share of the market. The recum to production efter the strike was proving to be smoother and swifter than had been expected in virtually all its main works. If we cannot recapture that

loss fairly quickly, then the consequences for all BSC steel men will be very serious indeed", Mr Sambrook said.

Before the strike the corporation's share of the United Kingdom's steel market was 54

per cent,
This year demand for steel is likely to be down to about 14.25 million tonnes, the lowest

Talks start in 'blacked lorries' dispute could it recognize a "white list" of those who did not. to try to resolve the crisis of blacked" lorries, over which 15,000 Sheffield and Rotherham The corporation would undertake to listen to any questions the unions wanted to discuss, and take them up with haulage men walked out on strike last week, a few hours after the resumption of work after the

national stoppage. Mr John Pennington, the corporation's managing director, Yorkshire and Humberside, said the meeting was to explain the role of haulage in the corpor-ation's business and the conto work, he said, and manage- tracts with hauliers.

ment and men had jointly to The corporation, he said, was a capitalize on that to win back could not recognize a blacklist supplier. unions of drivers and companies that had crossed picket lines during the national strike, nor

Korchnoi wins first game in London chess

By Harry Colombek Chess Correspondent There was much exciting play in the first round of the Phillips and Drew Kings grandmaster chess tournament at County Hall, London, yesterday.

It was fitting that Viktor Korchnoi, one of the best tournament players of all time, should celebrate his first appearancein a London international tournament by winning in excellent style against the Yugoslav grandmaster, Ljubojevic.

The Yugoslav tried to com-plicate matters too quickly with the black pieces and Korchnoi coolly took advantage of his premature attack to repel it and

The other wirmer of the day The other winner of the day was the Romanian grandmaster, Florin Gheorghiu, who played one of those graceful, fluent games at which he excels to bear a formidable opponent in the young but stubborn Swedish grandmaster, Ulf Andersson, in 32 moves.

In the three adjourned games Nigel Short, aged 14, looks to have a clearly won position against Tony Miles, Results in round one:



in the Market?

PETER J. SLOANE



Today

An anticyclone is slow moving near SE England. Weak fromul troughs will affect N and W Britaln.

London, SE, Central S. E, Central N England, East Anglia, Midlands, Channel Islands; dry, sunny periods but cloudler in afternoon; wind variable, becoming S. light max temp 12° to 14°C (54° to 57°F). SW. NW, NE England, Wales:

WEATHER REPORTS YESTERDAY MIDDAY: c, cloud; L, fair;



Dry, bright or sunty intervels; wind S, light to moderate: max temp 11° to 12°C (52° to 54°F). Lake District, Isle of Man, Borders, Edinburgh, Dundee, SW Scotland, Glasgow, Central Highlands, Argyll, N Ireland: Cloudy, bright Intervals, scattered light showers; wind SW, mostly moderate; max temp 11° to 13°C (52° to 55°F).

NW Scotland: Cloudy, a little rain, chiefly in N; wind SW, moderate or fresh; max temp 8' to 11°C (50° to \$2°F). Orkney. Shetland: Mostly cloudy, occasional light rain; wind SW, fresh; max temp 10° to 11°C

(50° to 52°F). Outlook for tomorrow and Sunday: Mostly dry at first but rain reaching N and W areas by Sun-day; becoming warm and staying mostly dry in central and b. England.

Aberdeen, Moray Firth: Mostly dry, sunay periods; wind SW, moderate; max temp 13" to 14"C (55" to 57"F).



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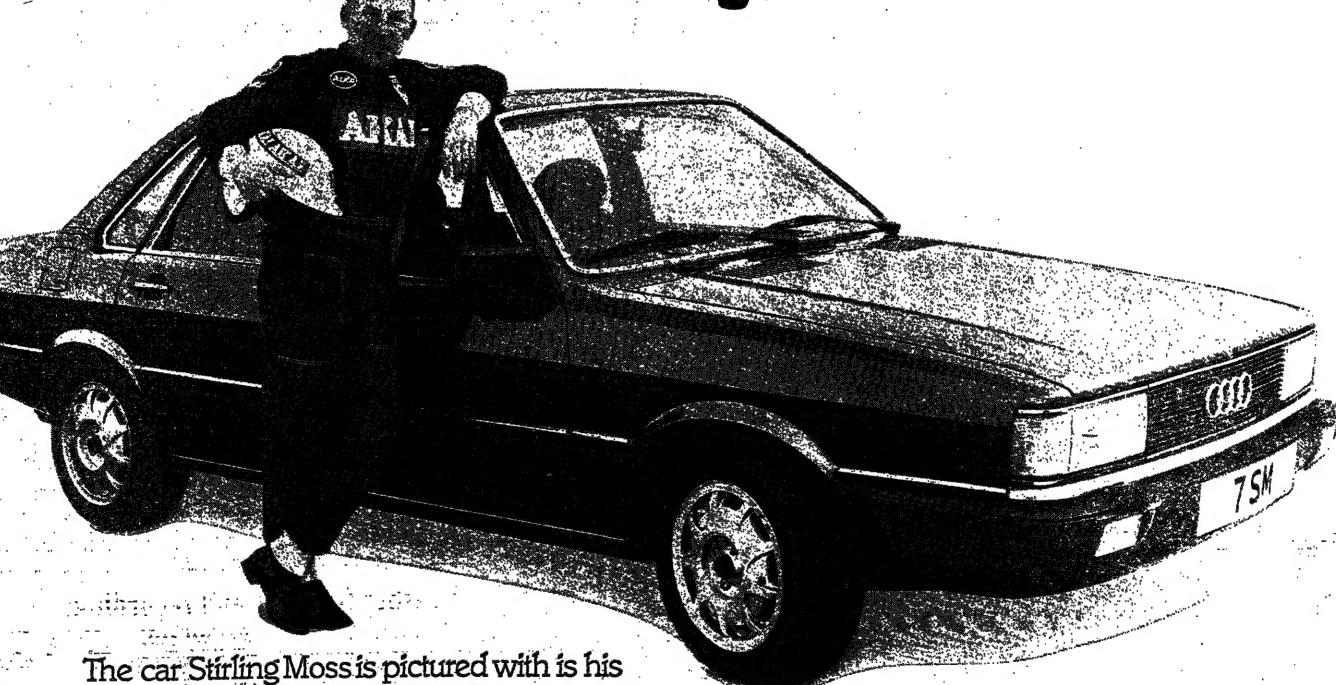
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Ministers advised to review cut in funds to help jobless blacks

Ministers are being asked to reconsider cuts in aid to poten-tially explosive deprived areas, representing 31 black and Asian where a link is seen between unemployment and crime and

waiting to take advantage.

The Commission for Racial Equality wrote in October to Mr. James Prior, Secretary of State for Employment, saying "We are seriously concerned that the withdrawal of special temporary employment funds (Step) from several areas of high black population will have a severe effect on employment and training opportunities for young people".

The programme was to have filled 30,000-35,000 places by March 31 all over Britain. The revised programme will aim at maintaining a level of 12,000-14,000 places, concentrated in the areas of greatest need. Bristol, scene of arson, looting and violence last week, is one of the places where the

cutting of the funds affects projects seen as crucial to the black unemployed.
In Bristol a survey by the
Department of Employment in
1978 showed that among the
registered unemployed black

and Asian adults more than two thirds were unskilled, a third had been unemployed for more than 12 months and 37 per cent were aged 20-30, precisely the people Step was designed to aid. Yet money for 18 youth helpers in Bristol to help young people to get jobs was with-drawn. The funds for a resource centre created to assist the unemployed to find work have been axed.

Other places facing cuts in-clude Kensington and Chelsea, in London, already the scene of rlots. Last year the Government cut Step funds nationally from £84.6m to £42.4m.

But the Manpower Services Commission plans to increase the Youth Opportunities Programme by a third in the southwest region this year,

Under the programme young people unable to find a job are given work experience either with employers or on projects in posts financed by the com-

Nationally there are plans to increase such posts from more than 200,000 to 250,000-260.000 this year for those aged 16 to

A gang of teenagers made

seven Molotov cocktails using

before the bombs could be put

into use, it was added.

Three boys, aged 13, 14 and 15, were accused of making the

bombs during riots in the Southmead district of Bristol

Inspector Philip Veater. for

the prosecution, said several policemen were injured by fly-

ing missiles and shops were

looted as 150 youths ran amuck

through a shopping centre. He added: "We received informa-

Boys made petrol bombs

milk bottles, petrol and strips been to the riots and thought it would be a "good crack to hedge for use in a riot against the police, it was alleged at Bristol Juvenile Court yesterday.

The cache was discovered by alleged starement that they had an interest that they had it would be a "good crack to make some petrol bombs".

He had added: "We got some bottles and filled them with petrol, then pushed cloths into the too. We tested

a housewife who told the police one out in the park, but it did

tion that more trouble was denied being involved, was also expected, and there was a sug- remanded to a later date.

for use in Bristol clash

has been expressed to Mr William Whitelaw, the Home councillors, the Standing Conference of Afro-Caribbean and

organizations are Asian Councillors take advantage. Mr Russell Profitt, its Guyan ese-born secretary, has written to Mr Whitelaw: "Violent and horrific outbursts such as that recently seen in Bristol are

dangerously close". The councillors are urgently seeking a meeting with Mr Whitelaw. Their demands include no cuts in the urban programme, Lewisham Borough Council, in London for example, is fighting against the axing of funds for 17 schemes.

But aid worth £23,000 in capital costs and almost £100,000 in running costs is being given to Lewisham, the Department of the Environment reported vesterday.

ounced that in England It announced that in England about 270 projects had been

approved Urban aid had been approved on new schemes worth £7.8m in town and cities with special cial needs. The lesson of Bristol is that

places not nationally known for their racial tension, unlike Brixton, Norting Hill or Hands-worth, in Birmingham, may be vulnerable so trouble if the ingredients are explosive.

Unemployment is one of them. Black school-leavers interviewed in Lewisham for a study by the Commission for Racial Equality were three times as likely as their white counter-

The Home Office Research
Unit has reported that five
studies disclosed high unemployment among detected offenders. The rate of unemployment among young blacks is particularly high.

Extremists auxious to make political capital out of it are moving in, thereby making for more serious alienation among young blacks by portraying the police as "the most visible instrument of state repression the black minority in

Britain today".

Those are the words of the latest Socialist Challenge, which has front-page banner head-lines saying: "One year after lines saying: "One year after Southall defeat black people win in Bristol". Inside it refers to the riot as "Carnival of the oppressed

gestion that petrol bombs would be used."

alleged statement that they had

not explode, so we kicked it

around until it caught fire.
"One of my mates' shoes
caught in the fire when he
kicked it. We hid the rest under

the hedge. I was not going to

throw them, but we knew some-

one who would."

The three, who all admitted

the offence, were remanded in

the care of the Avon social

services while reports are pre-

pared.
A fourth boy, aged 16, who

One of the boys said in an

Letters, page 15

Local government elections: The turn of Conservatives to feel the sting of unpopularity Big recovery by Labour expected in Scottish polling

From Ronald Faux
Edinburgh
Some Scottish local councils
will be returned to their traditional political fold in the district elections on May 1. Three years ago, when elections were last held for this second tier of local government, the Labour Party was deeply unpopular and the Scottish National Party had yet to begin

its spectacular decline.

It is unlikely that the nationalists will improve on the present subdued showing alongside the Liberals and it is the Conservatives' turn to feel the sting of unpopularity.

Labour alone can seriously relish this first real test of public opinion since the elec-tion, particularly when any healing benefits of the Govern-ment's medicine have yet to be felt. Only the bitter taste is being experienced at present

The Scottish Council of the Labour Party has named 19 districts it is preparing to add to the six the party already controls. Such buoyant expectations are supported by the latest opinion poll on voting

Taken in March by System
Three, it placed Labour unassailably ahead in its traditional position of popularity
north of the border. The party

Huge waves

Two huge waves caused a

£200,000 Scortish trawler to sink

All three men came from Buckie, on the Moray Firth, and the accident brought the death toll of fishermen from

the Scottish port to 16 within

seven months.

Mr Pepperell attributed the disaster to "an unfortunate combination of circumstances".

The trawler, the Bounteous, sank in 100 feet of water in relatively calm seas less than a mile off Mousehole, Cornwall,

on January 4.

The jury returned verdicts of

accidental death on Mr Edward Phimister, aged 30, the skipper: Mr Russell Hillier,

skipper: Mr Russell Hillier, aged 25, the cook; and Mr Joseph Bowie, aged 26, a deck-hand. There were three

Mr Pepperell said that what

two of the survivors described as freak waves had struck at

just the wrong moment for the Bounceous. One arrived just as a load of freshly caught mackerel was hanging from the

starboard side, about to be landed on deck.

The giant wave appeared to have washed away fish boxes on deck. He added: "While

the crew were trying to clear

the boxes, another freak wave

seems to have arrived.
"Again the water appears

to have failed to run away, pos

sibly because the scuppers were

the water lying there and the net being suspended is the

reason given by the witnesses for the ship capsizing. None has been able to offer any other

A ream from Lancaster

University is excavating in Cockermouth, the birthplace of William and Dorothy Wordsworth, searching for medieval

explanation."

Search for ruins

sank Scots

trawler

yesterday.

was chosen by 49 per cent of boundaries, notably Edinbugh, the sample, Conservatives by 27 per cent, with the Scottish nan, but about four fifths of National Party and Liberals Scottish districts will be contrailing at 14 and 10 per cent

Edinburgh district will be an interesting contest in which the new boundaries are thought likely to swing the balance to Labour. The Tories hold Edinburgh at present, but the city is one of Labour's most confident hopes.

The Conservatives expect to field more than the 543 candi-dates who contested the last district elections. Party workers accept that some losses are inevitable, but there are issues that could swing votes their way, particularly the level of rates set by some Labour counment of the day, Mr Allison said, and the current Tory Government was an embarrass-

The action of certain local authorities in refusing to trim public spending to the Govern-ment's guidelines and pushing through heavy rate increases, the Tories feel, could rebound on the Labour Party.

Rates will be crucial in this election", a Tory official said. In Edinburgh the Labour-con-

trolled regional rate has risen by 41.5 per cent while the Con-servative district is holding its level to 18 per cent in line with inflation.

The party also believes that bousing is an issue that will win it support in the 25 councils

where the housing surfority has Westminster, but the past three so far refused to introduce a years has surely shown that no surface allowing council tenants serious policies party can stay the surface of the surface to buy their homes.

bedevilled Glasgow for three number of candidates, particuyears during which the city has belonged to no one political party. The last elections introduced a strong contingent of nationalists, and the conduct of business has ranged from French farce to the present

working compromise. The unpopularity of Labour and a housing scandal at the time of the last elections have both dimmed in the public memory and Labour expects to move back into power.

The Scottish National Party is not sanguine about its hopes. Last time the party did ex-tremely well, holding power in several central Scottish councils and a total of 170 scats throughout Scotland. By-elections since then have

brought a net loss to the party of about a dozen seats and with its poor standing in the polls and general apathy towards its independence policies, it is

whether the nationalist party should seriously concern itself with local government when its main argument is with with local government

aloof from the local maelstrom. The elections may resolve livisome districts the party in-the political limbo that has tends sharply to increase its larly in Kyle and Carrick, where nationalists have become closely associated with the cam-

But after the crushing elec-tion defeat that removed nine rationalist MPs and 300,000 of their votes the party can only where nationalist councillors have done a good and conscien-

tious job they will be elected. Scottish Liberals believe there is a chance of an open field at the elections. The voters, they argue, were not drawn towards the Tories and the Government's record. They were unimpressed by the Labour Party and its internal

There will be about 200. Liberal candidates, and the party is confident of holding power in invertiyde, where it has 13 of the 23 seats, and of continuing to hold the balance in Aberdeen. A party official declared. "Our strength will be as an elternative to the two party mechines, which people can see are clogging everything

Levy bo proposa could c courses

By John Young Controversiai the redistribution

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Glasgow Strathclyde 54 squad was called help detecti armed gang had h. £80,000 in the G. of Clasgow.

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Shortage of chemists From Pearce Wright off the Cornish coast with the loss of three lives, Mr Derrick Pepperell, the West Cornwall Coroner, was told at Penzance Durham

Too few scientists are being trained in universities to cope with the expansion of work on occupational safety and on the companied testing of new chemical compounds for industry, according to a survey presented at the annual congress of the Chemical Society

the report, Dr E. G. J. Willing and Mr W. J. Marmion, of the Chemical and Allied Products Industry Training Board, say that they were unable to dis-

cent drop in output; the price of its main raw material had trebled over the past four years and further increases were expected. Business was becoming more complex and that put a premium on the ability to solve problems and make difficult

trends would be to reduce the manpower resources available to the chemical industry by as much as 20 per cent. raduates would be offset that loss,

a landmark in broadcasting' From Kenneth Gosling

service with fresh techniques for strengthening links with the community is to open in Cardiff today after a launching cere-mony at Cardiff Castle last

Speaking at the ceremony, Lady Plowden, chairman of the Independent Broadcasting Authority, and members of the public, through membership of the Cardiff Broadcasting Trust

"Now". Lady Plowden said,

Of nine new companies to follow Cardiff, that for Inverness had similar organization plans; and the IBA bad approval to bring independent local radio to 16 other areas,

Kingdom population unserved,

Prince of Wales backing for technology group

By Roger Berthoud be responsive to an invitation.

The Prince of Wales has to see some of its development embraced the cause of intermediate or "appropriate" technology, to the extent of becoming patron for the next five years of the Intermediate Technology Development Group (ITDG), it was announced yesterday.

The group was founded in 1965 by the late E. F. Schumacher, author of Small is Beautiful—Economics as if People Mattered. It has become well known abroad for its work in developing and helping to instal cheap, small-scale, ployment - generating (rather than employment - reducing) technologies in developing

directly involved in fostering Britain.

Both the Duke of Edinburgh and the late Lord Mountbatten of Burma became known for their long-standing interest in high technology. Growing royal interest in less capital-intensive technologies led to a visit to Buckingham Palace by Mr Schumacher in 1973, shortly after the publication of his seminal book, during which he elaborated on some of his

The Duke of Edinburgh has since made reference to those from time to time.

Last year the ITDG learnt appeal for fim was recently the the Brings of Wolse sight. that the Prince of Wales might launched.

work at first hand, and last February 15 he visited the group's unit at the applied-research section of Reeding

research section of Reading University.

It would be too crude to suggest that he will be "selling" the virtues of appropriate technology when he visits developing countries. But he will at least be in a position to allude to the benefits of creating cheap, small-scale, employing cheap, small-scale, employ ment-generating activities that and within local communities.

The prince's interest in appropriate technology is no dechnologies in developing doubt in part a by-product of his policy of getting to know lirectly it has also been British industry through a property involved in fostering gramme orchestrated by the work-creating projects in National Economic Development Council To help to counter the property of the p ter big industry's evident create, employment, the ITDG has been fostering Local Enter-

prise Trusts.

There are now 16 of those trusts, which foster the growth of small enterprises in their neighbourhoods, and a further 45 are under discussion by local organizations.

A new focus for such initia-fives will be provided by the establishment in London of a

on weight.

A shampoo for Ching Ching, the female giant pands in London Zoo's animal hospital, who was now on her way to recovery. Ching Ching, who underwent an emergency operation almost two weeks ago, is still very anaemic and her protein level is low, but she is eating well and putting

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respectively.
Mr James Allison, Scottish
organizer of the Labour Party,
admitted that Labour had been

humilisted in the last district

elections. The party had lost

131 seats and surely had struck the bedrock of its support.

Labour is now in a position to pull back its normal strength

and add an extra weight of

votes from the Government's

unpopularity and the collapse

Most people took the oppor-tunity at local elections to show

their feelings about the govern-

ment for the Conservative Party in Scotland, With inflation run-

ming at 20 per cent, Scottish

unemployment above 200,000 and public expenditure cuts

affecting Scotland particularly badly the Conservatives could hardly be helped.

seats to be contested. The Highands and some rural areas have

a tradition of having non-politi-

cal local elections, leaving about

800 seats that will be contested by political parties. Some will have new local government

There are some 1,120 district

the nationalists.

One reason is that most unlstaffed for teaching analytical chemistry. But the compilers of cover precise figures for scientists either from employers or

Although the general pattern of employment for scientists was known, there was insufficient information about the

The industry faced a 2 per

The combined effect of those

New radio chain

A new independent radio

or involvement in a programme workshop, could play a part in helping to shape the new ser-

Independent local radio had been at the forefront of the change in broadcasting from being a means of distribution to a means of communication. "Cardiff Broadcasting has taken a bold step farther in establish-

ing a new radio company structure which may prove, years from now, to be a significant landmark".

When complete, probably by about 1983, the total number of stations would be 44, leaving about a quarter of the United

A Rome outside the textbooks From Phillip Howard

Hull Life is untidier on the ground than in the texts. In a stimulating paper to the

meeting of the Classical Associa-tion at Hull yesterday Dr Andrew Lintott, of Aberdeen University, examined what Roman imperialism meant on the ground behind the highminded and legalistic jargon of

Imperium was the power the Romans exercised over peoples. whom they generally called subordinates. their allies. In space they equated their empire, from the time of Polybius, with the known world. Dr Lintott's argument is that the well known rextbook categories into which that world was divided politically are not as simple or clear-cut as they seemed to us at

A province, after originally meaning an appointment, came tribute. Their freedom was of to designate a tract of allied the Czechoslovakian or Afghan zerritory directly administered sort.

by Rome. But that territory was often not strictly defined, while the governor's powers were expected to extend into neighbouring kingdoms and the land of other free peoples. He was also allowed considerable scope in dealing with neighbouring bar-Rome still tried to exercise barians. power over the peoples beyond

Client kings should not be used as clients in the rechnical sense. Theoretically they were was gradually assimilated, as it friends and allies. In practice, from early in the second century they were treated as agents and The status of "free ciries"

was modelled on that of cities that had been declared free by the Hellenistic powers while remaining their vassals. Their freedom was conditional on remaining loyally within the Roman orbit. In time the privileges that regularly accompany freedom became eroded, so only a few enjoyed freedom from

The natural state of empire was taken by the Romans to be steady expansion. And external frontiers were left vague. Hadrian and his successors limited expansion. Like later super powers,

them. Meanwhile the status of

the peoples within the Empire

usually is. From the Roman (and the Russian) point of view, that is not an extension of power, merely an administrative renrganization. Dr John Landels, of Reading University, opened our cars to the ercane mysteries and siren sounds of ancient Greek music: the aulos, the double reed nine that sounded hall way between a clarinet and an oboe; the cithara, something like a guitar; and the singing. He is the next best thing to

Orpheus that we have left

walking our discordent and muddy world.

Mens Association need money desperately.

Person to those who gave—please be wasted.

HOW MUCh omger before we im Britain join the 3rd World?

Fifteen years ago, Britain was a leading producer of motor cars, motor cycles, lomestic appliances, televisions, radios, hi-fi's.
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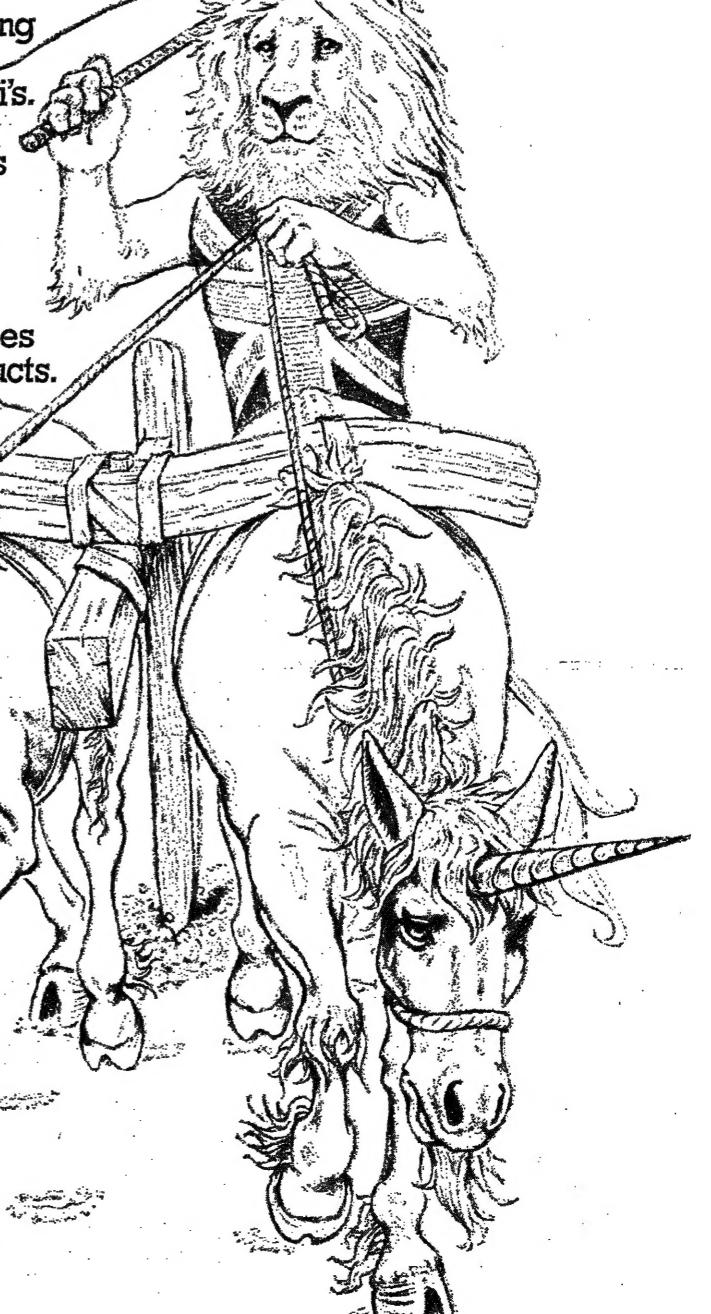
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Ulster

enigmatic on

From Christopher Thomas

any more about these matters

needed is a coherent, mature

political approach and an abundance of patience, under-standing and generosity all

He was anxious to meet nor-

thern politicians and leaders of opinion as often as possible. He would like them to think

Foreign Minister. The secret for security reasons, Mr Haughey's interview was dominated by the economy, pay industrial relations. The

and industrial relations. The Government would work hard for a new national understand-

ing on pay this year. He was not looking for a wage freeze.

"We will very shortly be starting a serious detailed process of discussion with the social partners about the economy, the conditions prevailing, and the form that a new national understanding might take."

It would be ideal if the farmers could be included.

'Possible' that

Mr Kelly broke

From David Nicholson-Lord

It was "unlikely, but not impossible" that James Kelly,

the Merseyside man who died in police custody last year, received a double fracture of the jaw by hitting his chin on the ground, it was stated at the

inquest on Mr Kelly yesterday.

Mr Henry Alty, consultant dental surgeon at Broadgreen Hospital, Liverpool, said the

degree of force necessary to cause the fracture could have

been caused by a hard punch or blow. The injury would not have markedly affected Mr

Kelly's ability to speak fairly

He also said that evidence of

an old fracture to Mr Kelly's jaw was immaterial and irrele-vant to the fracture he suf-

fered shortly before his death.

The inquest started two and a half hours late after it was disclosed by a doctor that Mr

Kelly underwent an operation for a bilateral jaw fracture, suf-

face with a piece of wood dur-ing a fight in 1968.

The officers who arrested Mr

Kelly, aged 53, of Huyton, Liverpool, have denied know-ledge of how the fracture occurred shortly before his death.

Earlier Mr Bernard Sims, a

dental expert and adviser to the Home Office; said that when he examined Mr Kelly's jaw he found fractures of both the left and right sides consistent with

having been produced by "a single blow by or against an object or hard surface".

He agreed with Mr George Carman, OC, for the Police

Federation and four individual

officers, that the fracture could

have been caused by a drunker

on the ground.

men in a heavy stupor falling

Mr Carman said: "If Mr

Kelly had a fight at 11.30 or fell in a drunken state, he

could well have been fighting

Mr Sims replied: "Yes".

The coroner also heard de-tails of a medical report on

Mr Kelly written on his dis-

charge from the Army in 1947. That described him as mentally

deficient, illiterate, backward

His illiteracy had cut him

off from home, and that caused

him worry and depression.

Though cooperative, he con-

trolled his aggressive feelings

with difficulty.

and suffering from anxiety.

with the police at 12.15?"

fered when he was hit in

normally.

jaw in a fall

Demonstrators carrying pla-cards and waving sarden imple-ments visited the Department of the Environment in London vesterday to urge the Government to drop provisions in a Bill which they say threatens the allotment system.

Members of the Friends of the Earth and the National Society of Allotanest and Leisure Gardeners handed a letter to Mr Marcus Poz, Under-Secretary of State for the Environment, addressed to Mr Michael Heseltine, the Sec-

retary of State. deners were concerned about the poor level of provision for allotments, which were threa-tened by the removal of safe-guards on the sale of allotment

The Friends of the Earth said The friends of the Earth said that the allotment system would be dismantled by a change in the law proposed in the Local Government, Planning and Government, Pl Land (No 2) Bill.

They fear that the removal of Government supervision over the sale of land would enable local authorities to sell allot-

ment land.

They have told Mr Heseltine that there are 121,000 people on waiting lists who could not get allotments because local authorities were not fulfilling their legal duty to provide sufficient to satisfy demand. The letter stated: "Yet the

Bild contains six clauses which would allow local authorities to fail even more abysmally in the provision of aflotments.
"Those clauses would enable local authorities to spend allotment funds on other services and make up their own rules,

including rents, for allotment holders."
The letter, signed by Mr Czech Conroy, rampaign direc-tor of the Friends of the Earth, urged the minister to drop those clauses and replace them with new ones tabled in the Commons by Mr Stephen Ross, Liberal MP for the Isle of

Wight.
They include proposals requiring the Secretary of State to instruct local authorities to grant temporary allotment licences on vacant land, and the extension of the basic duty to provide allorments to inner

London boroughs. The minister was also asked

The British sports industries should follow Mr Kerry Packer's example to improve

the marketing of their pro-

ducts, a professor of economics management

Professor Peter Sloane, an

economist at Paisley College of

Technology, points to the paradox that as real incomes

have risen and hours of work

have diminished there has been.

a dramatic growth in outdoor

activities, but the demand for the product of British profes-sional team sports (that is, the

gates at games and matches)

has fallen. Keeping a sporting, stiff

upper lip, Professor Sloane denies that that is because

being a spectator is an "inferior good", which people do only when they can afford

nothing better.

By Robin Young

Correspondent

Consumer Affairs

British sportsmen told to

suggests



A Friends of the Earth supporter demonstrating yesterday

urged by the National Society surplus to allotment require-Gardeners to oppose the repeal

Statistical analysis, he claims,

with the insight of a cricket

"Demand for the product rises the more equally balanced com-

Professor Sloane is highly

When the monopolist sport-

ing authorities are challenged

by new entrepreneurs, such as Mr Packer, inefficient markets are remedied in such a way that the system responds slowly to

critical of the cartels that exist in this peculiar industry, where the firms are called "clubs" and the labour "players".

skill and education".

peting teams are."

outcome"

with bucket, spade and cauliflower.

Backbench MPs are being other purposes of any funds

Alloment and Leisure ments.

Mr Fox, after meeting the Gardeners to oppose the repeal demonstrators, said that no of the requirement which that Government would deliberately The minister was also asked. Act places on local authorities seek to do away with allot-improve the Smallholdings to obtain the consent of the ments, "I am horrified at the Allotments Act, 1908. Secretary of State to the use for suggestion", he said.

In brief

heed Mr Packer's example Rugby player on harm charge Gordon Doble, aged 30, captain of Wolverhampton Rugby

commentator deep in his Wisden, produces data to "suggest that demand rises Club, faced magistrates at Seisdon. Staffordshire, yesterday accused of causing grievous bodily harm to an opposing player, Anthony Higley, aged 23, who lost an eye. with income, car ownership, The economic rules of the game, he suggests, are encap-sulated in the "uncertainty of theory. That is:

Mr Doble, of Pendeford Avenue, Wolverhampton, was remanded on bail for three weeks. The offence is alleged to have taken place during the match between Wolverhampton and Stourbridge last December.

Baby survives fatal motor accident

Michael Walker, aged six months, escaped with head injuries yesterday when he was injuries yesterday when he was thrown out of a car when it crashed into a lamp standard at Hucknahl, Nottinghamshire, killing the driver and injuring the baby's mother.

The buby bounced on the hard road surface, The driver was Mr Neil Marsh, aged 19, of Stanton Hill, Nottinghamshire.

competitive pressures.

Sport in the Market? Hobart
Paper B5 (Institute of Economic
Affairs, £1.50).

Tree kills man

Mr Donald Drewery, aged 44, of Westholme Cottages, Melton Ross, South Humberside, a farm worker, died yesterday when a tree he was helping to fell caught fire and crashed down on him.

Lassa fever ruled out Porton Down scientists yester-

day ruled out Lassa fever as the cause of death of Miss Eva Oberhoffer, aged 40, who died three weeks age after a holiday in Kenya.

Meningitis death

Lesley Ann Rothwell, aged 13. of Waltham, near Grimsby, has died of meningitis, but Humberside health authorities said yesterday that there was no cause for alarm. She was taken ill at York.

10 hurt in blast

Ten people were given hospital treatment, one being detained, after they were struck by flying glass when an explosion damaged the front of a bakery in the market place at Ripon, North Yorkshire, yester-

Immigration officer is criticized by magistrate Mr Kenneth Harington, a "You put yourself in the posi-

London magistrate, yesterday tion of judge and jury. It ap-criticized the immigration authorities for banning an accused American visitor from Britain before his guilt was established by the courts.

Mr Harington, sitting at Horseferry Road Magistrates' Court, Westminster, said: "Ir seems to me quite disgraceful. We do not live in a state, surely. where the immigration authorities can use their powers before a case has been proved."

case has been proved." he admitted landing his Dach-He said to Mr James Douglas. shund bitch at Victoria station the immigration officer who saw on Wednesday, contrary to the the American after he was rables regulations, and failing alleged to have been caught try-to label his holdall to indicate ing to import a dog illegally: that it contained a live animal.

pletely wrong. He cannor even appeal. I am not condoning what he did, but you have taken action before it had been proved "

Mr Harington had before him John Haigh, aged 28, who was born in New York and is in England to visit his parents at Treesmill Drive, Maidenhead,

Mr Haigh was fined £275 after

WEIT EUROPE __

Mr Haughey Catalan Parliament sits for first tine in 41 years while segaratists demonstrate outside

From Hrv Debelius Barcelon April 10

Belfast The Irish Government's enig-Membrs of the new Caralan matic stance towards Northern Ireland remains, Mr Charles Haughey, the Prime Minister, Parliament sentled into their plush ri seats for the first time in il years here today at demonstrated in the first signi-ficant interview given by him since he assumed the leadership a nost gic session which ignored eccessionists shouting

Señor losen Tarradellas, the in December. He told The Irish Times that Señor Josep Tarradellas, the cutgoing president of the Generalit, the Catalan Government, mis a veiled comparison with Son's other newly-autonomous region, the Basque country, then he congratulated "all thamen and women ... who may it possible to recover the freedom of Catalonia without violice" he has hopes of a united Ire-land in his lifetime, but cut short any detailed explanation of his strategy. For the moment I do not wish to say Mr Haughey said he believed there had been a considerable change in outlook and attitudes recently, particularly in the north of Ireland. What is

our violece."

He tid members of the regional Parliament they have "an endnous responsibility...

not to dide the country".

Outsit the marble halls where aprevious Catalan par-liament had sat in the 1930s before eing disbanded by a victoriot General Franco, a few hadred demonstrators shouted for the release of He would like them to think his door was always open. He would be meeting Mrs Margaret Thatcher at the next conference of leaders of the European Economic Community but he thought it would not be possible to discuss the northern situation in any substantive way on that occasion. He hoped it would not be too long before there could be a full meeting. He alluded to the imminent talks in Dublin between Mr Humphrey Atkins, Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, and Mr Brian Lenihan, the Irish Foreign Minister. The date is secret for security reasons. imprisord suspected extrem-

ists.

They arried red banners and the fia of the advocates of

28 errorist

held in Italy

Rome, Aril 10

Hundrds of carabinieri carried ut a series of operations crly today against suspecte terrorists and their supportes in four cities in northeralitaly.

Some 28 people were arresteducluding, it is thought, persons believed to be intellectal apologists of the theory of armed struggle. About a people were arrested in Turis and seven in Biella with the rest in Milan and Ferrara.

Laborator raided: Police sources said that all those arrested ere charged with sub-

versive quivities and belonging

In Miln, the police raided a laborato, and seized trans-mitting quipment and tapes

used for broadcasting messages of the ed Brigades terrorist

organizabu, the sources said.

In Tum, a private security guard wt shot dead today on his wa to work. Signor Giuseppe Pisciuneri, aged 30,

might he been a vendetta

Jail br flinging

over hip's side

Rotteram, April 10.—A Dutch sa captain was sen-tenced tithree-and-a-half years in priso today for ordering

three of the crew to throw the Ghanaiar stowaway overboard

The phic prosecutor told

the courthat Captain Theodore de Bonduf the Dutch refrigera-tor ship mmely gave the order for the swaway to be dumped over theside last October into

Nigerian waters after the ship

unloaded cargo of fish at Port

Harcourt

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suspects

Rome, Aril 10

and yellow horizontal stripes like the regular flag of the region, but with the addition of a star in a triangle.

failed to win representation in of the new president of the the elections of March 20. Generalitat, which is expectively were dissident voices ted to take place in Barcelona raised in the chamber, never-before the end of this month. theless, but for other reasons. The Andalusian Socialist
Party made itself known,
although only two of the 135
MPs belong to that party.
Señor José Acosta Sanchez, momentarily delayed a routine vote on the acceptance of the organizational rules for the Assembly with a protest that his party had not been con-sulted when the rules were

drawn up.
Presiding over the inaugural session by reason of his agewas Senor Josep Maria Poblet, who is 81. He declared the Andalusian deputy to be out of order He also called for a minute's silence for the "marryred president" of the Generalitat, Lluis Companys, who was executed by the late General Franco.

augural session, spokesmen for the various parties gave their unanimous, although informal. of a star in a triangle.

The separatists had no voice Generalizat to ask King Juan inside, however. Their cause Carlos to attend the investiture

> After an afternoon recess, the Parliament met again this evening to choose the president of the Chamber and two vicelargely honorary post-was expected to be assumed by Senor Heribert Barrera, secretary-general of the Republican Left of Catalonia a minority party, as a result of a pact with Senor Jordi Pujo's dominant Convergeance and Union Party.

At another session later this month, the Parliament is expresident of the Generalitat. His party has 43 seats, more than any other party, and he will be able to muster a majority with the promised cooperation of the Republican Left and the Centre Democratic

Rats moving la as cleane stay awa From Charles Hargro

Paris, April 10 The third atten March 24 to reach a between the unions firms who clean the F failed after an hour a

discussion yesterday the cleaners decid mously to continue t Paper and refuse c accumulate in the cor on the platforms pearance as the Lon ground. In some st steach is powerful an begun to appear. The 900 cleaners migrants, want a pabout £50 a month seek better working including protective

of the other Metrowashrooms. They st

month in 1977 an minor concessions. The fact that the strike again shows they feel exploited. plains why Paris shown unusual since the beginning cand considerable symen who want Frs. £290) instead of Fredoing a dirty job. night. From Our Own Correspondent ments and there were press reports indicating that France was about to take a tougher line towards Moscow.

But the stiffening of the from April 22 to 24, it was learned here today. It has not and the fact that Moscow was now afficially appropried Yesterday, crews

who were not fre companies under cor Metro removed so rubbish in about network's 355 station. This provoked so and protests from about strike break the CFDI, which ha porting the strike popularization me the Métro station terminals to explai page to commuters.
The trouble is the seems to want to possibility either for ment or for a coul the strike. M Jarie the Mayor of Paris, to show signs of with the Paris Tran over its refusal to strike is a matter He demanded that

At his request
prefect of the Paris
been asked by o
deputies to call a
the Paris Transport
which includes repof the state and
authorities, to try
colution

solution.
But M Jacques director of the Pari Board said in a rad He would also pursue his re-search on the questions for which he was banned, such as cleanliness (of the remain the same as he said. The cost the railway spick an 70m francs a year,

total maintenance years ago, it was c cent. The strike is like for a long time. To of Transport in the grant the cleaners speaks of the M
otherwise fares w
go up or state subsidincreased ".

because of growing resistance among his colleagues. Seven of the 12 faculty members supported the bishop, and he did not want to spend years fighting his colleagues in the courts. The compromise is seen as a provisional solution which would enable Dr King to require the seculty if the Validary of the faculty if the Validary of the Valida He did not rule or pulsory cleaning of Metro.

turn to the faculty if the Vati Officers joi Finland's

Shipping Str From Our Correspon Helsinki, April 10 Merchant marine Joined Finland's ship Joined Finland's ship

today and all Finnis will come to a stands as ships reach port at the world.

the world.

A two-week long seamen has alread about half the ships.

The seamen walk their vessel reaches avian port while the seamen walk their vessel reaches. will strike as soon as berths at any port. Foreign shipping is also encountering because icebreaker c been og strike since ing of the month weather has enabled

to use southern ports in the Gulf of Bc closed. A general wages was not reached this the general settlemen-

Soviet Foreign Minister, is to make an official visit to Paris from April 22 to 24, it was learned here today. It has not yet been officially announced vecause of final adjustments of and the fact that Moscow was prepared to talk about every-thing except withdrawal of the troops, never meant any refusal to keep communications open, however approductive for the time being. M Jean François-Poncet can his-programme.

Gromyko visit still on

despite Paris doubts

his programme.

There was some doubt as to whether the viris would take place after the Soviet intervention in Afghanistan. There were also the negative results of the Paris talks between Mr Kornyenko, a Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister, and M Jean Francois Mr Kornyenko, a Soviet Deputy Foreign Mr Kornyenko, a Soviet Deputy Foreign Mr Kornyenko and M Jean Francois Mr Kornyenko and to put saide the diplomatic euphemental moscow recently involving M Bruno de Leusse Secretary General of the Quei d'Orsay, and M Gabriel Robin, the political director.

troops, never meant any refusal to keep communications open, however unproductive for the time being.

M Jean François-Poncet can be expected to dot the I's and cross the I's when he meets his soviet colleague as he did with saide the diplomatic euphements.

He is certain to call (without much hope of any success) for some positive gesture of goodpolitical director.

political director.

Uncertainty was also expressed about French participation in the Madrid conference next autumn to take stock of progress on the Helsinki Agree-

some positive gesture of good-will on the part of the Soviet Union, such as the withdrawal of a few token units, to demon-strate that détente is not a one-

Dr Küng keeps his chair in university compromise his fight against the Vatican

Bonn, April 10

had just eft his home when a car dre' up alongside him.
Two me got out and fired several pstol shots, hitting him in the nes.

The plice said that first inquiries indicated the killing The struggle of Professor Hans King against the Vatican decision barring him from teaching as a Catholic theologian on the faculty of Tübingen University, ended to-Later little-known extremist group, illing itself "Prole-tarian Parols", claimed respon-

with a compi Dr Küng will retain his theology chair and also his post

as director of the university's Institute for Ecumenical Research, but both will be detached from the Catholic Theological Faculty and placed directly under the authority of the university senate.
Although Tübingen is a state

the Catholic Theological Faculty require the approval of the bishop. After the Vatican's decision last year, the bishop of Romenburg-Stuttgart, Mgr Georg Moser, demanded the removal of Dr King from the Dr Küng will be able to

teach, write, conduct research, and hold examinations as before, but his classes will not be recognized by the Catholic Theological Faculty.

Dr Kung said tonight that the solution was "acceptable and

to fight than before," he said. "I will be free to teach what I like without keeping to a set curriculum or worrying about

Dr Küng had originally in-tended to fight for his right to stay at the faculty through the West German courts but to-night he said he had given up

ban and against its methods of

investigating controversial theo-logians without giving them a fair chance to defend them-

the divine nature of Christ, and the infallibility of the Pope. I will now be much freer

and noid examinations as before, but his classes will not be recognized by the Catholic Theological Faculty.

Dr Küng said tonight that the solution was "acceptable and very honourable on the part of the university".

He said he would continue that is still an open question."

The ourt sentenced the ship's avigating officer to two year in prison and two seamen were each jailed for four moths for throwing the man overboard.—Reuter. Sienens gets ultimatum from city council

From Se Masterman Vienna, Ipril 10

Vienus, april 10
Vienus city council has delivere an ultimatum to Siemens the electronics giant, demandig that the firm take action fore noon tomorrow against he Austrian weekly magazing Profil or forfer all future assesses with the city future contracts with the city.
The agazine has accused Siemens of paying an 18m schilling (£700,000) bribe to one of ac three directors in charge of the building of the city's ner general hospital. The cuncil has also said it

will not be satisfied with a mere lib action, which could result if the magazine being forced republish an extensive apology and pay a small fine. It also expects Siemens to

Turksh groups

in Bellin face

police scrutiny

From OurCorrespondent

Eight Trkish societies here

of keepings closer eye on the political crivities of such groups, an to improve order and safety in the city after

and safet in the city after recent extrainst activities.

The eigh societies have a membershi of about 1,000 Turks. Altecther there are 30 Turkish scieties or organizations in the city with an estimated membership of about 2,500 to 300 people. About 100,000 Turks are legal residents of Was Berlin.

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damages. damages.
Siemens has issued a statement in Vienna saying that it will inform the council, before the ultimatum expires, of what measures it has taken. The Siemens contract for the general bospital project is worth

A further ultimatum issued by Vienna's Mayor, Herr Leopold Graz, was due to expire this evening. He demanded that the three directors in charge of the hospital project prove that a series of accusations of corruption laid against them by Profil was untrue or take the consequences.

launch an action for civil tors, began late in the afternoon and was expected to last until after midnight.

A number of firms whose names had been mentioned in connexion with the hospital project, the cost of which has risen

from the original £75m esti-

mate of 20 years ago to almost £2,000m, held press conferences today replying to accusations made against them in the press and in a report by the Treasury Control Department.
The hospital affair has aroused much interest in Austria because of the involvement

of a company in which the Deputy Chancellor and the Finance Minister have a majority interest and because of the council and the hospital pro-jects board, including the direc-former Minister of Realth.

Poll shows Greeks hostile to Na European Community, now

From Mario Modiano Atheas, April 10
An opinion poll published in

suspected of radical leanings were ordered to submit lists of their memers to the police.

The mye comes at the request of the Ministry of the Interior inline with the policy of the comes are on the questioned want their country to rejoin Nato; 58 per cent opt for neutrality, and 3 per cent favour Greek membership in the Warsaw pact. don't knows were 27 per cent. Publication of the poll results in the weekly publi-

cation Tachydromos coincided with a warming by Mr Constan-tine Karamanlis, the Prime Minister, to a group of visiting American senators that it would be a grave error to think that Greece's allegiance to the West can be taken for

Mr Karamanlis, who suc-ceeded in obtaining full memship for Greece in the

wants the country to return to thread through the Nato's military structure. But process of all the le An opinion poll published in Nato's military structure. But Athens today suggests that the move is being blocked by only 12 per cent of the Greeks Turkey and the Greeks tend to blame the Americans for failing to curb Turkish objections. The Greek Opposition supports a policy of non-alignment. The four United States sens-

tors, all members of the foreign relations committee, concluded a fact-finding tour concluded a fact-finding tour of Turkey and Greece today. They empressed the belief that solutions would be found to the Greek-Turkish problems which are seriously affecting the relations of both countries with the United States.

The senators did not explain the reasons for their optimism except for saying that they had found the concern about what United States base

found the concern about what happening in the world Greece.

whom they had spok The two leaders group, Senztor Joseph Democrat of Delaw Senator Howard Bake nessee Republican, e at a press conferen departure the import attached to the milita gration of Greece
They took pains to
the Greeks that ther
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Michael Leapman ork, April 10

en evidence submitted Senate banking commitweek is encouraging its ators to pursue their s into a low-interest ven to Mr Rupert Mur-he Australian publisher, eports have suggested a tween the loan's exceplow interest rate and poort for President reelection expressed by rdoch's New York Post. 290m (£130m) loan was by the Export-Import enable Mr Murdoch's an airline, Ansett, to serican Boeing aircraft of the rival European The bulk of the loan--was at an interest rate lower than the averfor aircraft loans given bank for aircraft pur-

st was aroused when it aled that Mr Murdoch h with President Carter White House nine days he loan was approved pary. Three days after the New York Post Mr Carter's nominative New York primary

the documents given committee contain no dence for any link beie loan and the White inch, they do provide ht into Mr Murdoch's iskill as a negotiator. ireate that his aggressitheds, as one member mk's board put it, may suaded the bank to set est rate more than one ge point below that to compete with the

inancing offer.
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men that I have ever oss", said Mr Thibaut Phalle, one of the on how low the rate set. "Murdoch is a rewd negotiator."

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When Mr Murdock began bargaining with Boeing, he insisted that the Export-Import Bank would have to provide financing for Boeing 767 aircraft (the as yet unlaunched

rival to the Airbus) at a rate compelitive with 7.95 per cent, although the American loan would be in United States dollars
Mr Murdoch emphasized this point repeatedly. When he and some colleagues and two Boeing representatives visited the bank on February 19 (the day of the White House luncheon), Mr Moore pointed out that the 7.95 per cent basket of currencies was not comparable with 7.95 per cent on a doilar loan.

Australian visitors disputed the suggestion", says a bank memorandum, "point-ing out that Australia had large energy resources and many other resources as well; that they expected Australia to have a strong balance of payments position and a strong currency in coming years and that they were not concerned by Deutsche Mark and French franc obliga-

tions."

The essential fallacy of that argument does not seem to have occurred to the bank's officials until later. Meanwhile Mr Murdoch applied powerful pres-sure to get his bargain-rate loan The next day he wrote to Mr

Moore, again emphasizing his confidence in the strength of the Australian dollar. On the same day he tele-phoped Mr Clarence Wilde of

Boeing and made the same point equally forcefully. It was not until February 26, at a bank board meeting that the logical flaw in the Murdoch the logical flaw in the Murdoch argument was pointed out. Mr George Heidrich, deputy vice-president for the bank's Asia division, said:

"I would agree with your comment or Murdoch's comment that maybe the Australian addler will barden with barden with barden with a comment that maybe the Australian will barden with barden with a comment that maybe the Australian and the said that the said and the said that a comment that maybe the Australian and the said that the said that

dollar will harden vis-à-vis ours bright man", agreed and be a strong currency—
and be a strong currency—
the president of directors. Mr boom over there now—but it still seems to me that if it strengthens against the Deutse Mark or keeps pace with it, it's a relative situation between what the Deutsche Mark and the dollar, United States dollar, are going to do, not what the Australian dollar is going to

> Two days later Mr John Lang of the Treasury, which has to approve loans made by the Export-Import Bank, attended the meeting at which approval for the loan was given. He

"We would have hoped that matching the dollar rate at 9.25 per cent would be certainly acceptable to all logical and reasoned human beings, but we hear what you're saying—that the decision maker in this case (Mr Murdoch) is playing Mexican standoff (being stubborn) with us and wants an eight per revise the strategy. cent rate. . . We can't and ar TAA ordered four don't feel it appropriate to even try and second guess (argue with) you on this." So the loan was approved at

So the loan was approved at the eight per cent rate for five Boeing 767s (the aircraft baving a slightly smaller capacity than the Airbus). Loans for some smaller Boeing planes, totalling \$84m, were at 8.4 per cent.

Whether it was presidential influence, incompetence by bank officials or Mr Murdoch's bludgeoning factics which secured the low rate is not made clear by the documents. The banking committee's investigator will in the next few days begin inter-viewing the principals—includ-ing Mr Moore and perhaps Mr Murdoch, who is at present in Australia—to try to make things

at reach francs and. As for the White House Iunch, arks will strengthen all that has emerged from it in g term by comparison the way of leaks is that there American dollar. If was discussion of Mr Carter's ligher-interest dollar children and that Mr Munderly d prove less operates children and that Mr Murdoch was disappointed with the food —hamburgers.

end of New York strike

From Our Own Correspondent New York, April 10 The first hopeful signs appeared today of an end to the

strike of New York bus and underground rail workers which optimistic tone of reports on the negotiations is due to despair and frustration at the growing difficulties which the strike-bound city is experienc-

Economists calculate that businesses have lost \$600m (£270m) so far. Department stores, theatres and restaurants have all suffered a drop in trade, as has the Barnum and Bailey Circus, making its annual visit to Madison Square Garden. The baseball season becan restaurant and fances. began yesterday and fans of both the New York teams rely heavily on public transport Traffic has been sticky ever since the strike began but so far has avoided the scourge of "gridlock", which pessimistic traffic experts have predicted. They calculate that when a cer tain number of cars fill the city streets the whole system will come to a standstill and nothing will ever be able to move Mr Koch said he found the spirit of pedestrians as high as ever when he made his daily

visit to Brooklyn Eridge this The reported breakthrough in the talks with the striking Transport Workers' Union came when the union sereed in consider some of the changes in working arrangements to increase productivity being sought by the MTA. A wrong choice could cost him the White House

Will Mr Reagan compromise on his choice of running mate?

Washington, April 10

Today's game is nominating Mr Ronald Reagan's vicepresidential candidate. Only an act of God, or an act of egregious folly on his own part, can deprive Mr Reagan of the Republican nomination and so the question is whom will he

choose for a running mate. There are two sets of rules governing the game. The first is the age old arithmetic of balancing a ticket that has been practised by every candidate since General Washington, of Virginia, chose Mr John Adams, of Massachusetts, in 1788.

The other rules concern the personality of the candidate. Often enough, he will choose a running mate in his own image (Richard Nixon chose Spiro Agnew in 1968 and 1972), or an antithesis (Richard Nixon chose News Cohet Lodge in 1960) Henry Cabot Lodge in 1960). The candidates chose men who are ideologically compatible unless, like FDR, they are so supremely self-confident that they care nothing for their

vice-presidents, and they all pay

lip service to the need for the Vice-President to be able to take over the Government. One of the rules is that before announcing his choice, the can-didate must justs that he does not believe in bolancing the ticker and that he is looking for the most highly qualified man. Mr Reagan makes these points every time he is asked.

He is asked rather more often than most because in 1976 he named his running mate before the convention—and then lost the nomination, He chose Senator Richard Schweiker, of Pennsylvania, a moderately liberal Republican who balanced

Conventional arithmetic has that Mr Reagan must choose member of Congress or at least a man who knows Washington intimately. This consideration led Mr Jimmy Carter, also a former governor who knew nothing of Washington, to choose Senator Walter Mondale, the ticket nicely.

US Elections



He should also choose someone from the East or the in-dustrial Mid-West, because that is where he is weakest, and he should choose someone less bel-ligerently conservative than be filled all these desiderana in

There are three right-wing members of Congress who are running actively for the vice-presidency. Senator Jesse presidency, Senator Jesse Helms of North Carolina, Mr Jack Kemp, a congressman from New York, and Mr Philip Crane, from Illinois. Any of them would undoubtedly terrify away huge numbers of moderates who are so sick of President Carter that they are President,

The game, therefore, is to judge whether Mr Reagan is

prepared to compromise on his Mass and perhaps Washington is worth a Panama Canal

If he does compromise, the obvious choice as running mate is Senator Howard Baker, of Tennessee. He is distrusted by the far right because he sup-ported the Panama Canal treaty, but his presence on the ticket would vastly reassure independents and moderates across the country. He is Republican leader in

the Senate and would be of invaluable assistance to President Reagan in managing Congress. The snag, apart from his lack of extreme conservative passion, is that he has no clearly identifiable consti-

He would not add much to Mr Reagan's own strength in the South and has no personal following in the North-East or Mid-West. He is liked and trusted equally across the country, not in any particular state or region. A running mate ought ideally to deliver votes for the candidate,

There are a few Republican overnors, most conspicuously fr Jim Thompson of Illinois, who could deliver their states and thus help Mr Reagan win the election, but their ignor-ance of Washington sharply reduces their utility as Vice-

Hollywood scrabbles for tinsel share-out

Hollywood, April 10

Hollywood's annual booty will be handed out on Monday night before a television audience of 60 million in America and many world. The high class beaufoust is officially labelled the 52nd Annual Awards of the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and

Those watching the Oscar ceremonies will tune in to the famous faces, the speeches, the triumphs, the stretch limou-sines, plastic smiles, some surprises and even tears.

There will, however, he no sign of the frantic behind-the-scenes battles that have been fought in Hollywood during the past three months. By the time the prizegiving goes public the war will have ended and the casualties cleared.

The other day, Mr Charles Powell, a leading figure in Hollywood advertising and publicity, estimated that each of the big film studios in Hollywood will have some a minimum of the big film studios in the wood will have spent a mini-mum of \$350,000 (about £160,000) apiece to try to woo the 3,600 members of the

academy.

They are the people who actually decide whether Dustin Hoffman in Kramer vs Kramer was a better actor than Peter Sellers in Being There or whether Jane Fonda in China Simdrome will add another golden statuette to her best ctress collection.

The members vote secretly, categories and Mr Powell esti-mates that the powerful studios are this year spending well over \$600 to reach each voter.

It is probably considerably more if you add up every penny spent because many of the stars (surreptitiously, of course), their publicists, managers, agents (even their mothers-in

law) spend money to help win Oscars and nominations. The "war chest" goes mostly to two small circulation daily "trade" newspapers in Hollywood; Daily Variety and the Hollywood Reporter which, until the final ballots are cast, are fat with full-page advertisc-ments bringing voters' attention to the performance of a parti-

cular actor and actress or to a film. This year the battle has also been taken into voters' homes. A Los Angeles cable company has been screening the nominated films so that the lazy voters, who cannot be bothered to attend a cinema screening,

can tune in.

As part of the battle strategy many stars suddenly become available for interviews, especially to local newspapers.
Peter Sellers, nominated for
Being There and considered to
have an outside chance of winning over favoured Dustin Hoffman, says he does not plan

In Hollywood there are book-makers' favourites and Sally Field, best known as a television actress, is expected to win for Norma Rac, over Jilly Clayburgh (Starting Over) Jane Fonda, Marsha Mason (Chapter Two) and Betta Midler (The Rose).
But most agree that Kramer

of course, on an assortment of us Kramer, well received last acting, directorial and technical month in Britain, is likely to categories and Mr Powell estimake a clean sweep with wins for Mr Hoffman, Meryl Streep (best supporting actress) and Robert Benton (best director).

The West is already losing World War III'warns

Richard Nixon.

As Soviet influence spreads unchecked, the former President of the United States, Richard Nixon, warns that the West could be defeated without even fighting a battle.

Exclusive serialisation of 'The Real War', Richard Nixon's blueprint for Western survival, starts this week in NOW! —the news magazine.



Every world leader will read it -you can read it first-in Now

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exual legislation in to bring it into accord ain's 1967 modifica-

the address of the paper's office is yet given but there is a pledge that this information will be published later.

Both Peking and Taipei insist that homosexuality is neither practised nor tolerated by Chinese but police officials estimate there are at least 200,000 Chinese homosexuals and 1,200 Chinese male prostitutes in

Hongkong.
The Pink Triangle demands that homosexuality should be permitted under the existing three conditions authorized in

tarmers to refugee aid

Correspondent April 10 rest Thai farmers will m a new food supply or Kampuchean refu-1 begins at two bor-tomorrow with the £ 150 tons of foodight directly from

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pay them,
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a central buying n and where produce or purchase for refuFamily planning loses political support in India

From Our Own Correspondent
Delhi, April 10
Mr Sanjay Gandhi, the MP
and younger son of the Indian
Prime Minister, today indicated
that family planning will not be
advocated by his Youth Congress wing of the ruling party
"so long as the people do not
want it"
It was the compulsory sterili-

want it".

It was the compulsory sterilization programmes which developed out of Mr Gandhi's family planning drive under the so called "five point programme" which alienated many people in northern India from his mother's Government during the 1975-77 emergency.

Mr Gandhi, on a tour of the Punish said his Youth Congress

Punjab, said his Youth Congress would now concentrate on adult education and abolition of the enucation and aboution of the practice of paying a dowry.

Mrs Gandhi's Congress Party election manifesto emphasized strictly voluntary family planning.

the estimated 10,000 Cubans in compound of the Peruvian Embassy in Havana, Señor Arturo Garcia, the Peruvian Foreign Minister, said here to-

day.

He told a press conference of after an emergency meeting of the five Andean Pact nations that Peru had agreed to give asylum to 1,000 of the Cubans who poured into the embassy last week after the Cuban Gov-

ernment removed guards from the building. The other pact members, Bolivia, Colombia, Ecuador and Venezuela, had agreed to accept an unspecified number of the refugees, while Spain would also take some, Senor Garcia

Foreign Ministers of the pact countries would meet later this mouth in the Venezuelan capital of Caracas to continue dis-cussions on the issue, he added. Señor Garcia said the use of embassies for political ends

was a tragedy.
The Andean Pact nations stated in a communique that the Cuban Government had the main responsibility for solving the matter "in accordance with the principles and norms of

international law.

The communique supported the right of people to seek asylum and appealed to the asylum and appealed to the international community to help the refugees leave the island. . Cuba has said that the refugees, who are living in the appalling conditions in the compound, can leave as soon as another country gives them.

The refugees have appealed the Cuban authorito the United States, Spain and France-Presse.

Lima, April 10.—Five South several Latin American coun-American countries and Spain tries to accept them. The United have agreed to accept some of States has said that the problem States has said that the problem should be resolved by South American countries.

In Geneva, the Intergoverh-mental Committee for Euro-pean Migration (ICEM), a leading refugee agency, said Peru had asked it today to transport some of the refugees from the embassy grounds to new homes.

ICEM, which transports most the world's refugees once they have been offered resettle ment, said it would immediately discuss the request with Cuba.

Certificates issued: In Havana officials introduced a system of issuing the Cubans leaving the compound with a certificate giving them the right to emigrate, but stating that once

emigrate, but stating that once home they must stay there.

Very few of the refugees wanted to take advantage of the system. Most appeared to want to make sure of leaving by staying at the embassy and the system was later abandoned.

The measure was believed to have been introduced to relieve the congestion of the 10,000 people and their possessions patked into the half-acre gardens, without taking away their right to leave the island.

Meanwhile, crowds in Havana have demonstrated against the refugees, cars sound their horns in protest and gangs armed with sticks have massed near the police barriers

massed near the police barriers near the embassy, calling the

refugees "slags".

The fear of being attacked by the crowds has stopped many people leaving the mission, where food is being supplied by the Cuban authorities—Agence

Japan decides spies will be prosecuted

From Peter Hazelhurst Tokyo, April 10

A paradise for secret agents for 33 years. Japan is how for 33 years, Japan is now expected to enact its first postlegislation to prevent

Soviet espionage.

A spokesman for the ruling
Liberal Democratic Party said
the Government would soon in
troduce a Bill in the Diet (Parliament) to curb the activities
of foreign agents in Japan.
Under its terms agents
arrested on charges of collecting
military secrets and sensitive
material for a foreign power
will, for the first time in three
decades, be prosecuted in
court and punished.

Spies who provide a spreign
country with military secrets
or confidential information
about Japan's defence industry
will face prison terms of be
tween two and 15 years if the
Bill is passed.

At present a spy cannot be
prosecuted for espionage in agents before they were
Japan because sensitive belit
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war clauses of the country's the Second Morifu Weight
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The Constitution stipulates that the Japanese people "forever renounce war as a sovereign right of the nation" and the threat or use of force as a means of settling international disputes." To achieve this it stipulates that Japan must never maintain land, sea or air forces or any other potential for war. Under various interpretations of the Constitution it has been argued that anti-espionage legislation is unnecessary because Japan should not have to hide any

Japanese newspapers have also opposed previous attempts to safeguard military and industrial secrets because, they claim, legislation could be abused to interfere with the

freedom of the press.

As a result Soviet agents and their local sympathizers have Maintchi Shimban, said.

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the Soviet Union.
The disclosure that Japanese officers have been providing the country's traditional adversary with military secrets has come as a shock to many Japanese. Right-wing national lists have organized noisy demonstrations idurated noisy soviet Embassy. But the press has voiced fears that the proposed Bill could chuse Japan's democratic principles.

democratic principles.
"Through the history of pre-Second World War days, we know that the birth of a law to protect secrets will restrict the rights of the people. This move to introduce anti-espionage legislation can be termed as challenge to democracy. People want a free access to information and an attempt to enact an anti-espionage law runs

A conservative, dark-suited man puts some bite back into Cairo opposition politics

Honest Mr Shukri begins rocking Egypt's top-heavy boat

From Robert Fisk Cairo, April 10

All week, the khamaseen wind has been butting across Cairo, hurling the desert sand from the Sinai across Egypt's decrepit capital and sending hery breezes through the suf-focating streets. It reached its climax after five days when it turned the skies dank red over Cairo and covered the trees in a fine yellow powder that malevolently found its way into every house. Even in the formerly sedate suburb of Heliopolis, the streets were given a riuml layer of sand. Only the party offices of Egypt's official Opposition

d to take on an elegance They are housed in a small, nineteenth century mansion set trees. Localy, the bathers of two nations created in the wind above the entrance. The black, white and red flag of Egypt hong to one side of the door, while an the centre threshed the pational colours of Palestine with their small create threshed between the small create threshed the pational colours of Palestine with their small create threshed between the

Sadat offer

target date

Washington, April 10.—Prest-dent Sadar of Egypt has indica-ted he is prepared to extend negotiations with Israel on

Palestinian autonomy beyond the May 26 deadline as long as the main issues have settled.

Speaking on television to after two days of meetings with President Carter, he expressed cautions optimism about the out-come of the falks with Israel, saying agreement could be

He was prepared to be flex

ible over the target date but farther to achieve a break-through by that time would be

very serious.

He said Israel was responsible for the present deadlock in the

date was met would depend on

Israel's policy of establishing Jewish settlements on occupied

Arab land was against the spirit and the letter of the Camp David accords.

the settlements - Reuter.

Israel's attitude.

to extend

the 1,200,000 Arabs of the occupied West Bank and Gaza.

Mr Brahim Shakri ordered the flag to be bung outside his party beadquarters when Mr Eliahu ben-Klissar, the Israeli Ambassador, research his order under the monarchy, is a Ambassador, presented his cre-Amoustance, presented us cre-dentials to President Sadat six weeks ago, and he has stub-boroly kept it flying ever since—a symbol that the "rame" political opposition encouraged by Mr Sadat might be growing some unexpected teeth.

"Israel", according to Mr nukri, "wants to take everything in the peace process but give very little in return." The Begin and Mr Sadat of their

could claim that the Socialist Labour Party is a serious threat to Mr Sadat's hage National Democratic Party, which holds more than 300 of the 398 sents in the Egyptian National Assem-bly. Mr Shukri's party picked up only 27 in the lest election, a modest victory which the President no doubt regarded as acceptable for a party whose existence was presumably in-

It is turning out to be some-thing more than that, how-ever Mr Shukri, who was impris-oced under the monarchy, is a quiet, silver-baired man approaching old age, a conser-vative figure; n a dark suit and the who does not look like the sort of man to rock the boar in Egypt's top-heavy Par-liament. Nor, at first, does be sound like one either.

"We are trying to be a very honest Opposition", he says, but we are trying to achieve this for the people and not for Mr Sadat. We are at the begin-ring of a democracy." But after a few minutes, Mr. shukri relaxes his guar J.

"We knew that there would autonomy from the moment we read the Camp David accord, he says. "We realized that there were good and bad points about the paragraphs on Israeli withdrawal from Sinai autonomy from the moment we Israeli withdrawal from Sima and the rights of Palestinians. The letters concerning Palestinism self-rule were very vague and we said that there would be difficulties with that Israel over this.

Israeli Foreign Minister, are really unacceptable. They say Palestinian state. They say 'No' to Jerusalem as part of the West Bank. They say 'No' to the old borders of Israel. They increase their settlements in the West Bank. The Israelis always said to us that their aim was not just to have an ambassador in Caico but to have normal relations between Israel and Egypt on all sides."

It is for this reason that Mr Shukri believes Mr Sidat should not have sone to Wash-ington this week. The President should freeze the process have normal relations between Egypt and Israel, "He should not recommence discussions". Mr Shakri said, "unless we from Begin and the near from segin and the others than they can discuss every facet of the peace agreement without preceding them with their refusals on Jerusalem and a Polestinian state."

Mr Shukri has advanced the

and—on one extraordinary (though since unrepeated) occasion—carried an article accusing government officials of accepting bribes on a telecommunications contract. The newspaper has condemned Mr Sadat's proposed Law of Shame, which will stifle oppocriticism; and it has told the Government that it to King Hassan of Morocco to combat the Polisario guerrillas because Egypt should not be encouraging Arabs to fight

Mr Shukri is prepared to tread still nearer the edge of acceptable political opposition. Mr Sadat, he says, should no longer head the National Democratic Party because this dissuades people from joining smaller political groups. The President, he says, should be coment to play the role of father of the family".

"At present, we are still very near to a one-party system. We do have our newspaper and so far we have been able to write in it whatever we want. But every week we are performing a tightrope act over what we say."

Energy deal with China lifts NSW Premier

From Douglas Aiton
Melbourne, April 10
Mr Nevill Wran, the Labour
Premier of New South Wales,
appears to have achieved a
remarkable success during his visit to China.

At the start of this week he became the first Australian state premier to be gramed an audience with Chairman Hua Guofeng.

The meeting lasted almost an

hour. Mr Wran said afterwards that the main topics of discussion had been energy, trade and the "sister state" link established recently between the southern Chinese province of Guadong (Canton) and New South Wales.

No doubt the fact that New

No doubt the fact that New South Wales supplies 50 per cent of Australia's exports to China is one reason for the courtesy with which Mr Wran has been received. It also seems likely that the Chinese, conscious of their energy problem, are looking towards New South Wales and its vast supplies of steaming coal.

Mr Wran is reported to have clinched a \$A80m (£40m) deal to sell coal to China. It is also expected that Australia will be placed high on the list of recipients of Chinese oil exports.

Mr Wran has announced in Peking that New South Wales Peking that New South Wales will be exporting two million countries of steaming coal to

ing negotiations to sell coking coal to south China. oal to south China.

After meeting a sentor executive of the Chinese bil industry, Mr Wran criticized Australian oil companies for rejecting a Chinese offer to sell oil in 1975.

Leading Australian companies, such as Colonial Sugar, Broken Hill Proprietary and Ampol, are searching for oil in the South China Sea.

At the moment, New South

At the moment, New South Wales exports 25 million tonnes of coal a year mainly in Japan. The state has the world's largest known reserves off steaming, coal and a new part of the coal and of steaming cost and a new guaranteed export market would mean a huge development throughout the state's

Mr Wran is expected to have discussions with the Federal Government when he returns to force Australian oil companies to renegotiate their agreements to include China. Mr Wran has possibly embar-rassed Mr Malcolm Fraser, the Prime Minister. Mr Fraser has visited China and been received warmly. He has also been most enthusiastic in his public statements about Australia's relations with China, but he has not been shown the same respect as Mr Wran.



Chadian refugees cross the Chari riverin dugout canoes to seek shelter in Cameroon

Chad rebel force hit from rear

Israel's attitude.

If necessary he would be ready to attend a new three-way aumant in Washington with Mr. Menachem Regio, the Israeli Prime Minister, and President Center.

Mr. Saust also said that Israeli walls also said that headed by Colonel Wadal Abdelkader Kamougue, the southern leader, joined the bat-tle for the Chadian capital yes-terday, shelling the rear of Mr Hissene Habre's forces emren-thed in Milment's Africa ched in Ndjamena's African

rocked the deserted city contrasting with a fall-off in fight-ing between Mr Habre's forces and those of President Goukouni Queddei; his main opponent, in-

Onedder, his main opponent, in the European sector.

The precaring eath between the two main protagonists was nowhere mear the total ceasether which President Gnassingbe Eyndema of Togo had tried to bring about over the weekend. Mr Edem Kodjo, of Togo, the secretary general of the Organization of African Unity, said however, that even if the truce was imperient it was an improvement on the previous The southerners artillery fire position

Mr Kodjo left the embattled city yesterday after meeting both President Quedder and Mr both President Queddei and Mr. Habre. He said that some hope existed for a total halt to the hostilities. But observers here believed that spea this feeble think could be maintened by the said of the boundern forces Labras with: The transitional Government of Chad headed by President Queddei has decided to crush the armed rebellion of Mr. Habre and his pipporters, according to a Libran radio or are nable and its supporters, according to a Libyan radio broadcast quoting Mr Mahamet Nur Adam, the Coveriment's Secretary General.

been sent to Tripoli by the inform the Libyan authorities on the sinusiton in Chad.

The radio, monitored in Tunis, added ther Mr Adam had said that his Government re-jected any reconciliation forum other than Lagos. He was referring to an agreement signed last August in Nigeria by 11 different factions in Chad and simed at bringing peace to the troubled former French colony.

on alert Mr Adam errived in Tripoli today and has already had a meeting with the Libyan Foreign Minister, the radio

Tanker survivors fill few gaps for investigators

Johannesburg, April 10

Insurance investigators Insurance investigators in Durban today began inquiries into the loss of the 239,000 con oil tanker Albahaa B, which blew up and sank 350 miles east of Dar es Salasm a week ago. They took statements from the 38 survivors; who were landed in Durban yesterday by beliconter from a carron ship. helicopter from a cargo ship which had rescued them.
Representatives of Lloyd's
Register in Durban have been
asked to undertake a technical investigation into the disaster by the Liberian Bureau of Mari-time Affairs. The Albahas B had

a Liberian registration.

The investigators appear to have a hard task judging from the colourful our uninformative recollections of trew members interviewed by the press at their hostel. The 15 Chinese among the surviving crew said all they remembered was "boom, boom, fire, lifeboats".

remembered was "boosn, boosn, fire, lifeboats".

Some of the 19 Indians and three Portuguese were more explicit. They said they had been awakened before dawn on April 3 by two loud explosions. As they arambled on to the deck they realized they were fighting for their lives as flames began to english the tanker. A "The wreck of the Albahaa B lies in 2,200 fathoms, according to a spokesman for the underwriters. It was last heard of on March 5 while passing Dubai, Its owners, Wallem Ship Management of Hongkong, have rejected suggestions that it may have been involved in the operations of a "scuttling ring".

lifeboat was lowered but some of the crew punicked and jumped overboard. Others were calmer and en SOS was sent before the ship was abandoned. It sank com-pletely within half an hour of

the crew's escape. It was later found that six of the crew were missing pre-sumed drowned. A steward said he did not know what had hap-pened to them because he could see nothing but flames against the sky. The missing men were two Indians from Calcutta and four Hongkong Chinese. The search for them was abandoned after 36 hours.

search for them was abandoned after 36 hours.

Captain J. Neff, marine super-intendent for the ship's agents in Darban, declined to comment on what caused the explosions on board. It has been suggested that they occurred during clessing of the tanker's slop ranks. slop tanks.

The wreck of the Albahaa B

Science report

Philosopher held by Czech police who stop lecture

Czechoslovak police broke up another philosophical lecture in Prague on Wednesday night, the London-based Palach Press

Agency reports.

Dr Juhus Tomin, a Crech philosopher and an organizer of the underground "Patocka University" was about to start a fecture on Aristotle when the police burst into the private flat where the lecture was held. flat where the lecture was held. Dr Tomin was manhandled and dragged to a detention centre. Shortly after the recent expulsion from Czechoslovakia of Dr William Newton-Smith, Fairfax fellow in philosophy at Balkiol 'College, 'Oxford,' the police informed Dr Tomin that they would prevent, if necessary by force, all future lectures.

Dr Tomin and other lecturers always emphasized that their activities were open and in conformity with the law. During the past few months Dr Tomin's contacts with the University of Oxford became regular and once a month an Oxford philosopher gave a lecture
One of the 15 students attending Wednesday's lecture, Mr
Jan Bednar, the 24-year-old son
of Mrs Ota Bednarova, a journalist serving a three-year jail sentence, was detained together with Dr Tomin.

Embargo seen as unlikely to impress Iranians

Continued from page 1 words, than would be likely to result from an Iranian shut-off. The Germans complain that this mechanism offers inadequate protection.

The EEC's, exports, to Iran last year earned some f1,000m, or about 1 per cent of the Community's total export earnto lies economically for the Community. Until the fall of the Shah

the EEC was the source of more than 40 per cent of Tran's imports. Iran's Revolutionary Council, however, has been content to allow the economy to grind to a virtual halt, and imports from the industrialized West have declined to a trickle.

The conclusion of EEC offi-cials in Brussels is that, while it would not be too painful to impose a trade embargo on Iran, it is unlikely such action would impress a Government driven more by ideological than economic considerations. Industrial lobby: Italian indusmaterial rooty; ration indus-trialists are lobbying Govern-ment and Parliament against making a commercial break with Iran to the extent re-quested by the United States (writes David Young from

business activities in Iran, the most of any EEC member.

Officially the Government has not gone further than saying it is studying the situation in the light of a call for solidarity from Mr Richard Gardner, the American Ambessador.

Iranian oil supplies tell to only 2 per cent of light's crude imports last year mean nearly 14 per cent in 1978.

Envoy recalled: Norway an-nounced that it is recalling its ambassador to Iran in response to President Carter's appeal

for support.

But Mr Knur Frydenlund,
the Foreign Minister, made it
clear that the ambassador is being recalled for consultations, and the move does not entail a break in diplomatic relations.—Reuter.

Credits stopped: After studying Mr Carter's request for sanctions against Tehran, the Japanese Cabinet announced that Japan will not provide new credits or loans to Iran (Feter Hazekurst writes from Tekni) Tokyo).

Response delayed: The New Zealand Government is expec-ted to reject an American request that it withdraw its ambassador to Iran, sever diplomatic relations, and cut trade ties, observers said in Wellington.

Indian unease: The Indian Gov-

Syrians go in Lebanon

were seen in political circle:
as a hint that the Israeli
soldiers may soon launch attacks
from their newly established
bases in south Lebanon. American concern was shown this afternoon when Mr William

Brown, the United States Charge d'Affairs, met Mr Ezer Weizman, the Defence Minister, for an explanation of the bor-der crossing. He reported to Washington immediately.

Washington immediately.

It is understood that American concern has been increased because the latest intereson has been launched during one of the most sensitive periods in the Middle East peace talks.

On Sunday, Mr Begin, the Israeli Prime Minister, is due to go to Washington for talks with President Carter about Palestings autonomy.

Palestinian autonomy.

The United Nations has also The United Nations has also registered another strong protest to the Israeli army about the incursion.

Adding to the tension in Lebanon were reports that Syrian rroops based in the country have also been placed on the abert afteer the Israeli cursion.

cursion.
There was still uncertainty to-

night about the real intentions, of the Israelis. or the israels.

Artillery fire: Israels artillery was reported to have fired on the port of Sidon today as the Lebanese Government launched diplomatic efforts to avert fresh bloodsbed Student riots: In the second day of Arab student riots in a suburb of Ramallah, north of

Jerusalem, an Israeli policeman was injured (Moshe Brilliant writes from Tel Aviv).

Indignant Israelis said the students marched through the streets chanting "we'll give Rome).

Italy is felt to be more expressed its unease students marched through the streets chanting "we'll give possible Iranian retaliation as military action against Iran. It has about 1,500 citizens en (Richard Wigg writes from gaged on industrial projects and Delhi.)

Tehran hails expelled diplomats

Tebran, April 10.—A crowd of several thousand Iranians cheered the 40 diplomats expelled from the United States when they arrived at Mehrabad to depart, but all our diplomats were given two weeks to depart, but all our diplomats, including the state of the several state of the seve sirport here early today.

they had waited several hours at the terminal to welcome the officials, who were garlanded with flowers and embraced by Mr Sadeq Qoibzaden the Foreign Minister.

Mr Ali Agah, Iran's charge d'affaires in Washington before President Carter's decision to end diplomatic ties, said on the radio: "Our victory so far in rubbing their noses in the dirt has been unprecedented.
America was never humilisted
so much, even in losing the
Victnam war, and was never
made to took so small. the Japanese

irport here early today.

Chanting "Death to America" old beby, were told to get out in 24 hours ", he said.

Algeria has agreed to look after Iranian interests in the United States, Mr Qotbzadeh a press conference yesterday. Naval readiness: The state

radio announced that a naval unit was dispatched today from in the cuspetched totally from its bases on the southern ports of Abadan and Khorramshahr m the Gulf "to prove their readiness for confronting any invasion of our sea borders".

Iraq has demanded that Iran evacuate three Gulf islands which the Shah's forces seized in 1971 close to the mouth of the less House Shahes Shahes Shahes Shahes House Shahes S the key Hormuz Straits.

Greater and Lesser Tunb and Abu Musa are an integral part

said three Iranian border guards were killed and 25 wounded in three separate clashes on the

Baghdad authorities were crammed into a military camp near the border.

Farther south in Ham Province, the Governor of the border town of Mehran said 2,346 refugees had crossed into Iran in his region, many of tthem in the past 24 hours .-

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Sea diving: Safety at twice the depth

From Cive Cookson
of The Times Higher Education
Supplement
Washington
Three healthy volunteers emerged
from a simulated dive to 650
metres (2,132 feet) in a pressure
musk at Duke University last week.
They set a new world record and,
more important, showed that men
could work safely at almost twice
the depths that have hitherto been
is apparently caused by compres-

is apparently caused by compression of the brain pissues at high regarded as the limit for safe diving. The key to the achievement was

the depair that have himself been diving.

The key to the achievement was a new breathing mixture of helium, nitrogen and oxygen developed by Dr Peter Bennett, who directs the F. G. Hall Environmental Laboratory at Duke University medical centre

Its novel feature is the inclusion of ultrogen, which has been avoided by deep sea researchers elsewhere because it can form thy bubbles in the diver's blood as he is decompressed, giving him "the beends".

However, Dr Bennett, a British physiologist who worked for the Royal Navy until 1972, found from theoretical calculations and causifew years that 10 per cent of nitrogen can be added to the usual belians-oxygen mixture if decompression is controlled carefully.

grams, including one from President Carter and unother from Comex, the French organization that held the previous depth

The development is expected to have important commercial impli-cations, because it effectively doubles the depth at which divers

equipment.

Large quantities of oil and
minerals are thought to lie in offshore zones between 350 and 650
metres under the sea, which will
be accessible to divers breathing
Dr Bemment's new unknew. Mechanical devices and small submarines are now used at these depuis, but they are no substitute for the delicate hands of human

for the delicate hands of human divers.

No one knows the highest presente a fit diver could nake without damaging his health. The Duke experiments suggest that it might be as much as 90 atmospheres (the pressure of 900 metres of water) if compression and decompression are carried out at the right rate. The limits may be defined more clearly by like next simulated dive, which is flue in the autumn or early next year.

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Roeg's new Curiosity Shop

Bad Timing (X)

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Starting Over (AA) ABC, Shaftesbury

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Everyman, Hampstead

Nicholas Roeg, progressing through Performance, Walk-over. The Man Who Fell to Earth and Bad Timing, has now firmly defined his personal style of self-conscious, recherche fascinaring artifice. Bud Timing is composed of a mosaic of small pieces, flitting backwards and forwards in time and place. The pieces form a jigsaw puzzle which the spectator is invited, bit by bit, to reassemble and the pieces to reassemble, so that the whole picture appears only when the very last piece fits

In the course of the assembly there are smaller puzzles for distraction : enigmatic lines of dialogue throw out their challenges; characters appoint themselves alter egos one to another; a man takes a picture (significantly a maze) from his wall at the very moment that another man in another place is hanging up the self-same image. Every scene, indeed, is like a picture puzzle. Roeg once a cinematog-rapher, composes his pictures carefully and elaborately. The rooms his characters inhabit, are baroque clutters, their composition changing every time we see them, filled with significant disorder, significant or symbolic objects, books whose titles, deliberately displayed (Pinter, Paul Bowles, Freud), invite us to make assoother hands all this might only he deception and distraction, but through these fragmented elements Roeg and his in-genious writer Yale Udoff create a perfectly coherent and intriguing central narrative and relationship.

The hero-Art Garfunkel with his look of malevolent elf-is an intellectual, a lec-

Bertice Reading

Only in America

Round House

Irving Wardle

The names of Leiber and Stol-

ler have impiosed subliminally

from many a Presley and Peggy

Lee record label, and the pro-

sent Fifties boom seems to offer

a good commercial protext for

spothighting their contribution

to that decade before they

fade into the nostalgia depart-

As their songs are so firmly attached to their own place and time, it should have been pos-sible to build a coherent show

around them, as Ned Sherrin has tried to do by equipping his company of 20 with continuous

characters and a dramatic scenario. Only in America, he says, "follows three boys through one day in 1959, in a

hurnt-out back street in Brook-

lyn", but I doubt whether any-

body could have worked that out from what he and David

Yakir have actually put on the

After a neighbourhood get-

together with cops and hoola-hooping girls discreetly filling

in the background to Timothy

Whitnall's opening number (an

Elvis-like solo with motorcycle),

the evening dissolves into a sequence of 50 L and S songs

grouped more according to sub-

ject than linear shape.

turer in psychology in Vienna. His special study is the nature of curiosity; and curiosity is his personal burden also. He is tormented by his own curiosity to know more, to know every-thing about Milena (Theresa Russell) whose own instinct (or fate, or defence) is to remain elusive, secret, devious,

deceiving.
The man's curiosity and the girl's evasion are focused, finally, on their sexuality. He is voracious and violent; she is reluctant. And this factor proves, finally, the key to the mystery on which the film depends—a mystery surrounding the suicide attempt of Milena, which is solved, in the last moments of the film, by a Dostoievskian detective played by a not very Viennese Harvey Keitel). I am not sure, finally, how much real substance lies beneath the glitter of Roeg's style; but it hardly matters. He is a direc-tor of panache and individuality, and with an ability to fascinate and compel the attention, and these are qualities rare enough among British film directors to prize highly.

Starting Over is the mascu-line version of An Unmarried Woman, and to emphasize the point it has Jill Clayburgh, the star of Paul Mazursky's film, in one of the leading roles. In Starting Over, directed by Alan J. Pakula, we follow the misfortunes of a male divorce, played by Burt Reynolds. When his beautiful wife (Candice Bergen) walks out on him he is bewildered and disoriented; he had nothing

against her after all apart from her singing voice. The demoralized husband throws up his job (his own boss was the other man in the wife's life), sets up a cheerless bachelor pad and suffers the insistent sympathy of his family and bleak evenings with the divorced husbands' circle which meets in the church hall which meets in the church half every week, just before the divorced wives' circle. He meets 'another woman (Clay-burgh), but the affair is han-ardous. He is mind and tactless; past experience has made her over-sensitive and edgy.

So far so good—and even etter. Then, however, the better. Then, however, the script sticks like a record in the groove. This is the first film script by James L. Brooks. a leading American writer for television. And television, it is clear, is a bad, or at least restricted, training. Scene by scene the dislogue is shrewd, the situations are tunny, the characters sound. Once the situations uation has been stated, how-ever, the writer seems not to know where to take it; and

one of them into a dramatic situation: she sits there doing

her ironing, or bawling the family out, and happens to sing

magnificently as the best way

of getting her meaning across.

As a result, numbers like "Jackson" and "I Ain't Here" not to mention "I'm a

Woman", sound like classics.

thunderous but largely unintel-

ligible bass of Val Pringle, and

a pack of chorus boys and girls,

few of them (excepting John

Christie and Clark Peters) projecting anything beyond a firm grip of four beats in a bar. Whatever the show may do for

Mike Stoller, the quality of delivery virtually erases Jerry

After half an hour or so, the

rhythmic monotony takes its toll, and stupor sets in ; though

nut to the extent of entirely

blinding you to some of the

nonsensical song links, which deposit the company in jail for

and leave Miss Reading singing "Stand By Me" to three be-wildered cinema ushers who have just cleared the "I Can't

Say No " snogging party out of

There was also the spectacle f a love-sick boy singing There Goes My Baby as she

sits marooned in a pink con-

ssession of Love Potion No 9,

Leiber's lyrics.

the seats.

My impression at the end was vertible trying vainly to reverse that the partners excel above off the set.

For support she has the

the story declines into a nowthey are or now they aren't affair, as the former wife re-enters the scene and the husband finds his infatuation for her. It looks rather as though Brooks composed a well-turned television hour, and then had

nowhere else to go.

If it is a rather incomplete film, it is still a very attractive one. Burt Reynolds's develop-ment from beefcake through light comedian and bright director to being an actor of unusual skill has been a stirring phenomenon. He is a wanderfully self-deprecaring per-former, while to achieve his effects with the slightest movement of the eyes or twitch of the lips. Remarkably, he out-classes Jill Clayburgh, who seems to panic somewhat here in her efforts to be Annie Hall, and even the cool and witty Candice Bergen.

The contribution of Soviet film-makers to world cinema has been immense and vital. Even the Soviet cinema's most enthusiastic though, cannot in honesty ignore the cultured poverty of that cinema in the period of reaction that followed the years of post-Stalinist liberalism. Nor can the destructive effects of official repression and unaruth, which seem periodically endemic to Soviet culture, be underestimated. These attitudes have nothing to do with Socia-lism or Marxism or Lenanism: they can elways be traced to corrupt or frightened or greedy or ambinous and un-principled individuals in principled individ

The past years have, however, seen small but hopeful signs of change. Soviet filmmakers like Georgii Daniela and Nikita Mikhalkov have made films that depict people not as socialist models, but as ordinary, fallible human beings with goodwill enough to strug-gle to do the right thing. A season of 10 newish Soviet films at the National Film Theatre this month is intended to reveal something of these

new tendencies. This kind of cultural exchange is welcome, and maybe, in the end, a more effective form of communication than boycott and turned backs. But the value is minimized when it is done with the sort of evasion that regrettably marks the NFT presentation. In his introduction to the season, Mr Ian Christie writes: "Last year the Soviet cinema celebrated its official sixtieth anniversary with an impressive roll-call of directors reaching from the pioneers, Kuleshov, Eisenstein, Vertov

Death of a Princess

Michael Church

Reading between the lines of

the advance publicity, it seemed

to me that the omens for Death

of a Princess were not good.

of proven merit and originality

but his work had too often been

characterized by heavy, even

ostentatious editorializing, and

this new programme was billed as being more about him than

about the mythical girl whose

We were to be treated to

extended musings on the Arab

fate he was investigating.

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and Pudvkin to-well, who? Only one new Soviet director, Tarkovsky, has achieved world the recognition

veniently, to forget Sergei Paradjanov, for many the greatest living Soviet director, who was politically indiscreet, consequently imprisoned in 1974 on trumped-up charges, and is now condemned to live inactive a person outside the law. (Next week, as it happens, The Times will publish a remarkable, recent interview with Paradjanov.) He has forgotten, too, Elemis Klimov, whose Agonia, said by reliable with nesses to have been the most innovatory Soviet film for decades, is shelved, apparently in permanence; or Klimov's young wife, Larissa Shepitko, killed last year in a car accident, who saw practically every one of her films delayed and frustrated; or Vasili Shukshin, who also died young whose film The Red Snowball Tree, with its portraits of real people as they really are, bas

plete form.

The worst is that Mr Christie is for certain neither neive nor mischievous. He would argue no doubt, that if he wrote things that did not please his Soviet guests we would not be able to see the films at the NFT. If you play with Russians you play according to their rules, or there is no game at all. In this connexion, there is reli-able evidence that the reason The Times is no longer invited to cover the Moscow Film Fesis reluctant to pretend that is reluctant to pretend that Paradjanov never existed. But Paradjanov does exist; and so did the great Dovzhenko, still not comfortably accepted by the Soviet cultural establishment, which is perhaps why he, too, is absent from Mr. Christie's list of pinners.

pioneers.
There is a further chance to see Town Bloody Hall, a record by D. A. Peanebaker and Chris Hegedus, of a much publicized 1971 confrontation between Norman Mailer and a group of pioneer feminists, with Germaine Greer in the van. The event has rather the feeling of the boxing ring, though a militant lesbian introduces an element of wrestling too. The body blow is struck by Mailer who exhorts her to "act like a lady". Nine years
after, the event is already a
period piece, with its evidence
of the sort of posturing forced upon early militants of the

predicament, the position of

women in Islam, and on the difficulties journalists encountered when they stepped outside their own cultures. When a

nervous little voice-over prece-

ded the programme the implication seemed clear; this

was going to be a piece of trendy-lefty propaganda, and let nobody think that the Arab

In the event what followed

was a great surprise: this elephantine drama-documentary

ought by rights to have found

ered under the weight of its conscious artifice—faces and

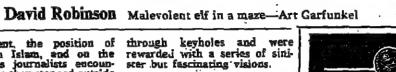
places in deep disguise, and

even an ubiquitous actor play-

ing Thomas himself-but it

developed an uncauny momen-

tum. For two hours we peered through veils and squinted



As in Kurosawa's film Rashomon, we were offered a number of plausible hypotheses. but finally arrived at a much more poignant solution. Beauti-fully photographed, this film was full of subtleties: the world was mirrored in what was accounts of the princess and her milieu often conflicted in their particulars, but taken together they built up a convincing com-

posite picture. What privileges did these

pent-up, bored women have? Sex. In this society women are the predators." But perhaps, printed out, the well was an imperialist measure to silence the women of Islam. "There is no veil in Islam."

as the lady school and also the requisite feeling

for precise punctuation on the orchestra's part. Nevertheless the aria itself had a nicely shaped vocal contour, if not quite the vehemence it calls for To this the singer eventually added the Countess Almaviva's "Porgi amor" from The Marriage of Figure, certainly a generous bonus. Mozart was Mozart was entractively framed by symphonies of Haydn and Schubert. The former's

Symphony No 195 in C minor would have benefited from a more forceful rhythmic bite in the opening movement, although the variations of the Andante were well characterized and there were notable solo contri butions from the principal Cello in this and the following movement. Schubert's captiva-ting Third Symphony had a wealth of grace and charm as well as vitality to send the audience away dencing in spirit if not in practice.

all in combat duets: but this may be because these are usually sung by Bertice Read-ing. Miss Reading turns every

ECO/Pritchard

Noël Goodwin Kiri te Kanawa chose a mis-

Festival Hall

cellany of Mozart for her con-cert with the English Chamber Orchestra on Wednesday, sing-ing the announced three items and adding a fourth before the audience would let her go. It was not perhaps their kindest found the soorang in someor her most sparkling vitality.
Nevertheless her artistry is such that she was able to mask whatever alled her and provided her admirers with much to enjoy in the musicality and sense of style she brought to

response to performances which thing less than her richest voice the assortment, in which John Pritchard's conducting provided She began with "Exultate,

a vocal concerto in character. Her performance gave modest embellishment to the vocal line and a secure reach to a high ending, but the florid passages were not as crisply articulated as one might wish. Following the interval she returned to sing, first, the sweetly caressing "Ruhe sanft, mein holdes Leben" from Zaide with an appealing warmth of feeling for the affectionate sentiment of the words and an expressively shaped line even in the higher

to Don Giovanni, an opera she has sung in the theatre and an records, although she has not I think hitherto been associated with the role of Donna Anna-Her singing of "Or sai chi l'onore" here was preceded by the accompanied recitative, which markedly lacked both the strength of dramatic character to give purpose to the words,

register.
Miss te Kanawa then turned

When the cellist Catherine Wilmers and her pianist Jane Dodd made their official ISM-sponsored debut, The Times was not in print. So, with over a year's intervening experience, it was scarcely surprising that ensemble was close on heir return to the recital platform under the auspices of the Kirckman Society. It was a true partnership of equals, except that Beethoven in his second sonata so patently favours the pianist-and Miss Dodd's characterization was as

Nothing in Sonja Nerdrum's cerned with his instrument's potential role. There is no antiquarian escapism. With the guitar anything but an ashamed accompanist, these three attuned artists showed their expertise in excitingly fast allegros (certainly the recorder player's nimbleness compensated this insurument's limited intensit) in slow song) while also stylishly proving that the pre-classical era of Corelli, Loeillet. Campion and Jacob van Eyck was a great age of

of tone colour as well as figur.
Three encores were equally lively.

recital was more enjoyable

keen here as throughout the

tely personal inflection. But she found the intensity for Barber's impassioned home-coming, and gave still more

evidence of temperament in an

man songs by her compatriot Grieg Besides phrasing "Spring" and "With a Pri-Nocturnes by Chopin, some-times found her a little short of breath, which unsettled intonation, though when not strained by longer flights she was again a charmer. Unfailingly flexible at the piano,

gamba (Piet Stryckers) with a baroque guitar (Peter Pieters) instead of the more familiar harpsichord, calling themselves after an eminent seventeenthrresistibly piquant ministure by Nadia Boulanger chosen as first encore. century guitarist much

in basso continuo

romance. A French flute and guitar duo heard north of the Thames that same evening, Christian Maestri and Christian Rasquier, carried their programme from "Greensleeves" Telemann to the present day. Mannered rubato did not help a Grosse Sonata by Beechoven's lesser contemporary Giuliani, and there was more to enjoy from fingers than heart in Albeniz's "Sevilla" (solo guitar) and Anderson's third etude (solo flute). But hoth fluent players found real imaginative stimulus in Vittoria's 'Eldorado" (1977) and Ibent's "Entracte", done with variety



programme.

The cellist came into her own in Liszt's late "La lugubre gondola" (50 much more familiar as a piano solo and Barber's rarely heard, neo-romantic Sonata, Op 6, as well as Brahms's No 1 in E minor, revealing herself an eminently serious, musicianty artist of firmly projected even if not meltingly lyrical tone, reliable intonation and positive attack.
Sometimes her phrasing seemed a little objective. Certainly the trio of Brahms's Allegrento needed more intimation.

mula veris" with charm, she also coaxed surprising reserves from her pretty, light voice (despite what seemed like an incipient cold) for the swelling climaxes of "Autumn Storm". Nor were Spanish songs lacking in tonal intensity. Though she was billed as a mezzosoprano, her lower register was inadequate for Rossini's "Nacqui all 'affanno" (Cenerontola), but both here and in Handel arias there was some impressively nimble coloratura higher up. Berlior's "Le Spectre de la rose" and a group of Bellini's songs, like

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Racing

Tracks may be regraded under the new scheme

By Michael Seely Changes in the amount of aid given by the Horse Race Betting Levy Board to racing were recommended in a report issued yesterday by the committee, which was set up jointly last April between the Board themselves and the Jockey Club.

The present system of grading

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The present system of grading racecourses has been revised. It is proposed that they be divided into three categories, A. B. and C. In the first category of 12 of the present group 1 tracks. Only two have had their status reduced. Almree, because it holds only one meeting a year, and Epsom because it has only nine days racing. Epsom now falls into category C but because it is the home of the Derby, it may require special consideration. Categories B and C both consist of an amalgam of the present courses which were previously in groups two, three and four.

The most surprising feature of this is the downgrading of Thirsk to category C. Thirsk has one of the most up-to-date and imaginative clerks of the course in John Sanderson and always stages good class racing, but does not apparently stage enough days racing. The factor that probably influenced the Board is that Thirsk does not own its own freehold and capital expenditure on someone else's freehold is not a worthwhile proposition.

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far as prize money is concerned, is that as the value of money decreases so it is going to become increasingly imposible to spread the available jam as evenly as before. So the board suggests that more prise money is put at the disposal of category A tracks, slightly less to category B courses and a considerable reduction in that allocated to unfortunate ones

and a considerable reduction in that allocated to unfortunate ones in the lower category.

These proposals strike right at the heart of the most controversial issue in racing. Must we at all costs keep up the standard at the top of the tree? The arguments in support of the theory are twofold. First in order to maintain the standard of racing here, sufficient prize money must be made available at thehighest level to attract foreign owners and to prevent them from sending their horses to France.

Secondly as Sir Arnold Weinstock insisted, "racing must have its stars. Feople love good horses in thi country. We have got to draw the public to the racks. And the only way to do that is to stage first-class sport." The manager of GEC had an enterpreneurial gleam in his eyes as he warmed to his theme. And of course Sir Arnold is right, the other aspect being that our own breeders of top horses need all the support they

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But what about the smaller tracks? Would they survive without sufficient a Levy Board support, particularly on the capital side. These proposals are going to subsidise the rich at the expense of the poorer owner. But there suff seems to be an inexhaustible amount of people willing to own bad horses. Just for the love of the sport. But the Levy Board's insistence on two meetings a day will place a heavy burden on the smaller tracks who depend on their support to race in midweek when the public at at work. The committee's view that there is plenty of room for improvement in the management of the smaller courses is questionable as good management needs paying but if capital grants are withdrawn from category C courses, the money for

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their report will act as a punch in the belly to the industry and will provoke argument and constructive suggestions. "Flexibility is the keynote," said Major Michael Wyart, the deputy senior steward of the Jockey Club, "We welcome views from everyone concerned, but I guarantee that in five years time, the season's programmes will be unrecognizable from todays."

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17 00000 Little Oasle, W. A. Stephenson, 4-10-3 D. Oldman 4

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17 -2 Bores, 5-1 Pinero, 15-2 Summergold, B-1 Little Oasle, Stun On, 9-1 Ico Sapphire, 10-1 Astump Delight, 12-1 Guld Jet, 16-1 Others.

By Our Racing Correspondent 2.30 Secret Gold. 3.0 Camden, 3.30 Rigorous. 4.0 The Engineer. 4.30 Tilston. 5.0 Boreas.

ALSO RAN: 4-1 far Father Delaney (4th., 6-1 Tied Cottage, Scrobey, 8-1 Sweet-September (9), 14-1 Jack Madness, 40-1 Little Roo (f), Coolishell, 10 ran.

TOTE: Win, 45p; places, 22p, 17p, Mas S. Griffiths, at Presteigne, 101, 11.

4.15 14.16 CHARLES TOWNERS CON-CHASE (Hunters: £1.413: 3'an) CEDOR'S BAUGHTER, br m. by Pallard Court—Cedor (Miss S. Griffiths) 9-11-12 Mr N. Oliver (5-2) 1

Grittar Mr. N. Ollver (5-2) 1
Grittar Miss C. Saundore 17-4 (av) 2
Srusies ... Mr J. Chuge (16-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 7-2 Lone Soldier (4th) 16-1 Family Man, 25-1 National Express, 35-1 Re-up. Landall, Man-spulate (7): 50-1 Fachion Man. Flyer-vate 161. Clever Prince, Colden Crene (fr. 13 ran.

5.0 ROAD SHOW HURDLE (Div 11: novices: £536: 2m)

4.45 ESK HANDICAP (£1,038 : 2m)

Beverley selections By Our Racing Correspondent

Sedgefield selections

3.40 (3.31) STATE EXPRESS CHASE (Handicap: £7,250; 3'4m)
LACSON, ch g by The Bo'sum—
Seniac Star (R. Hawker), 8-10-11
S. C. Knight (13-2) 1
Marier Smudge ... R. Hoare (8-1) 2
Mac Viet ... W. Smith (10-1) 3

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A result to lift hearts of the small trainers

Express Golden Miller Steeple chase was a marvellour result for the small trainer at Cheltenham yesterday. The first three places were all filled by horses trained by people with a permit as opposed to the full public licence. Lacson, who had won the Sun Aliance Steeplechase at the National Hunt Festival, was the strongest again this time. He strongest again this both Master Smudge and MacVidi who meproduced their Gold Cup form almost to within a pound. In the end Lacson won by four lengths looking very much as though he could go round again. No wonder his owner, breeder, and trainer, Bob Hawker who has a sheen given only 10st 10lb to carry at Sandown, and with the benefit of hindsight the handicapper would obviously give him more. As for the Gold Cup winner, lied Cottage he, sadly, did not run up to his form. He led until the top of the hill on the second circuit, but he was never able to slip his field the way he did in March. And after a mistake at the last open direct, he was never a fighting factor any more. Drusus, the odds on favourite for the Sitte Express young steeplechasers of a close relation of that great steep last for the Sitte Express young steeplechasers of a close relation of that great steep last for the Sitte Express young steeplechasers of a close relation of that great steep last for the Sitte Express young steeplechasers of a close relation of that great steeple his rival and hopefully a crack at those two bids victory to an inspired bit of tactical race riding from Geoff King asked Drusus to stand off outside the wings and steep last fence Drusses, when it comes to the cruise steeple his rival and hopefully a crack at those two big races next March.

By Michael Phillips took off at the same time as Racing Correspondent Drusus but never looked like Stretching far enough. Inevitably, he hit the top of the fence, and Express Golden Miller Steeple chase was a marvellous result for the small trainer at Cheltenham evesterday. The first three places

Grenadier shoots to victory

ago.

Arthur Stephenson, his owner and a training permit holder, runs as string of only five horses at

British Grenadier, with the featherweight of 10st, landed a gamble at Catterick yesterds, making all the running to come home by 12 lengths from Besciamella in the Hurgill Lodge Handicap Hurdle. Gordon Holmes shot British Grenadier 25 lengths clear early on and though the field got to within some six lengths of him at halfway, British Grenadier soon forced away again.

The winner, a son of Connaught, was backed from 10-1 to 7-2 and was appearing for the first time since finishing third to Northern Support at Kelso nearly six months ago.

Alan Brown won the opening two races with Ghazal and Measure Up, Ghazal following up his victory at Worcester eight days victory from Another Move in the first division of the Sedbury Novices Hurdle. Measure up, who gave Brown his thirrieth win of the season, was held up in the early stages of the Jockey Cap Hurdle. Cap Too held the lead until cut down close to home by Measure Up.

The stewards' clampdown on the whipping of borses was again evident when Mick Murphy, who rode Enchanted Evening to finish fifth, was fined f15 for excessive use of the whip.

Catterick Bridge results

2 15 (2.16) SEDBURY MURDLE (Div 1: Novices: £617: 2m. GHAZAL, br C, by Averal—Vil-switch (J. Hardy), 1-11-1 A. Brown 15-6, 1 Another Move .- C, Grant 16-1, 2 Locketts Lane G, Graham (10-), 3 ALSO RAN: 7-1 Islay Mist, 12-1 River Petterill, Guffaw (pu. 15-1 Last Isrue (pu. 15-1 Last Is Peachers Fise (D). R. Whitaker. 5-9.12 ... J. Stockion 7 1
33225-0 Ribble Reviser (CD). W. C. Warts. 7-5-0 ... M. Wood 5 7
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032021- Searnar Fine W. Halph. 4-8-12 ... M. Rigomor 5 2 0-00000 Marsheriet (S. D). W. Wright. 5-8-10 ... P. Eddery 3 2.45 (2.47) JOCKEY CAP HURDLE (Selling 4-y-0: £440' 2m)

MEASURE UP, ch s. by Supreme Glf:—Well Scored (J. Slandell), 11-3 ... A Brown (7-21 1 2s) Too ... N. Doughly (4-1 2 Peacock Charm S. Charlion (20-1) 3 5.10 EVERINGHAM MAIDEN STAKES (Div II: maidens 3-y-o: ALSO RAN: X-1 fav Twinacre, 3-1 Fine Home, Bhars Point, 10-1 Most Kind (-31), 16-1 Enchanted Evening, 20-1 Come On Flower, Crey Sust., Soffigeen 33-1 Gleaming Lady, Miss Smith, 15 ran. 3.15 (5.17) BRIDGE CHASE (Handi-cap: 27.704: 3m 300vds: 5.35 HOUGHTON MAIDEN STAKES (Div III: maidens: £659: SOLO SAM, b g. by New Brig-Boundary Thio Wits R. Browles, 8-11-2. C. Pimiotr (16-1: 7 New Colonist R. Estashaw (4-9) 2 Kelso Chant . . S. Charlton (12-2: 3

ALSO RAN. 15-1 Inghem (put. 20-1 Bargello's Lady, Mountheolv. 25-1 Mullscrew (4h), 35-1 High Mark. Periate, 50-1 Doctor Win, Brue Comedian, 11 ran. TOTE: Win. £1.63: places, 30p. 10p. 25p: dual forecast, 74p. CSF: £1.47, R. Brewis, at Belford, 8t, 5t, 2.45 (3.45) HURCILL LODGE HURDLE (Handicap: £975) Emi-ERITISH GRENDLER; br g ov Connaught—Happy Muste (A. Stephenaon) 5-10-0, G. Holmes Segmenson: 6-10-0. G. Holmes 17-3. 2 Besciampila, . S. Chariton 18-1. 2 Sourgooks, . D. Oldham (3-) fav. 3 ALSO RAN: 7-1 Treamle 4th: Golded End. Sweet Prejender, 8-1 Henry Bolloot, Ronore, 16-1 Haitez-Lob Tan. 85: piccas, 10-25, 18-1 dual forecast: 21.37, CSF 23.33. A Stephenson, at Easington, 101, 41. NR: Autums Glow.

PELTON CASTLE. ch g by Cesting Petition (AISE). Ch g by Cesting Petition (AISE). Kearsley) 4-10-9 Miss R. Hardyraves (25-1) 1 Saintly Scholar, Mr G. Platis (10-1) 2 Master Andrew, N. Bonghiy (8-1): 3 ALSO RAN: 8-1 'Why Forger, 10-1 Chandlity, 13-1 Swing Me, Wender Whitz Kid, 10-1 Taily Roy to u. 20-1 Orle (41n. Volcent Siar, Prince Fula, John Power, High Masquerade, Cocked Her Trader, Caneel Bay, 35-1 Hist Timothy, Filten Ash, MacGregor Murroe, Miss Wood, Meeting Hill, Mirequest, Orestela, Fal Matty ir ov. 25-14. 25 ran.
TOTE: Win. E4.62: places, \$1.25.
17p. 10p: dual forecast: £5.11 : Winner with any niher horse: \$25.21 : Winner with any niher horse: \$25.25 : \$26.14 : \$3.25 : \$25.25

Blanc (p.'u', 10-1 Fredo, 12-1 China William, 14-1 Gold Invader, from Fighter, 20-1 What A Mint, 33-1 Captain Midnight, 50-1 Sea Otter, 13 7nd, TOTE: Win, £3.16: places, 97p, 35p, 17p; dual forecast, £13.95. CSF: £19.01. G. Baiding, at Weyhin, 21, 31. Change Court Codes 1 The Change Codes 1 The Change Codes 1 The Codes 1 The Change Codes 1 The Cod Lupulin (Lord H. de Walden)

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J. Trancombe (11-8 fav. 1
Servilla ... Mr. 21. Batters (20-1) 2
North Yard ... S. Morshead (5-1) 3

ALSO RAN: 7-1 Breeze Mona, 15-2
Southdown Spirit, 8-1 Lorlingo Man, 10-1 Tares, 20-1 Lockdev, 55-1
Descendent, 30-1 Perstan Right (40);
Ton Bears, 11 ran.

TOTE Win 1-n places, 10-9, 45-9, 16-9, dual forces* (12.50) CSF* EX 67.

F. Winet, at Lan Sourn, 21, 61.

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Football

Golf Newton flowers at the Azalea hole Forest can now join

Augusta, April 10 Nobody needs to make excuses for confessing to his first appear-ance at the United States Masters golf tournament. Even Henry Longhutst had to walk among the blaze of azalea and magnolis for the first time. The opening blow struck at the Augusta National struck at the Augusta National here in Georgia had for me a special magic. For it was struck by Bob Goalby, with whom, stretching a thin line of communication, a Briton could feel a certain degree of identification. Goalby emerged from the PGA school, from the same class as Peter Oosterhuis, whose fortunes are in decline; Goalby is still, as he says, "languag in there."

are in decline; Goalby 13 still, as he says, " hanging in there."

Even the first shot on the practice ground' seemed an essential part of the initiation. Thanks to the culinary art of The Sunday Times correspondent, we were there early enough to see it. To be honest, it was no big deal.

Goalby's Câddie had misjudged the player's powers with the wedge and had to adjust his sights by as much as 20 yards before Goalby found his range. After that, all went splendidly on a blissfully sunny morning on the practice ground as Goalby went through the bag.

Having exercised his shoulders with his drive behind his back and essayed a few practice swings, Goalby was in due time invited, in the words of Tom Watson, " to shoot the gun". The starter announced: "The first player in the Masters tournament will be Bob Goldby—I mean Goalby—winner in 1968. The honour's yours, Bob We're ready when you are."

Goalby, as well as the announcer, seemed to be nervous. There We're ready when you are.

Goalby, as well as the announcer, seemed to be nervoirs. There was dutiful applause for his drive. Sadly, it was something of an anticlimax. The stroke had neither length or accuracy; a bit of a hook almost carried it off the fairway. It did not, in other words, match the grandeur of the accasion, but at least he got his par four.

pas four.
In 1968 he played, not only the first shot, but the last; his 37 for the first nine holes today, one ever par, suggested that history was unlikely to be repeated.

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Australian set a scorching pace in
the first round of the 56, which is
four under par for the 760 year.

It was an extraordinary round in two ways. His score was not achieved by stealing a birtile here and playing safe there. which is foreign to his character, nor yet by holing out from outrageous dis-tances. His second shots were of such superlative quality that his luck went against him rather than in his favour on the greens and creek would a long putt obey his

Kuo leads after

Taipel, April 10.—Kun ChiIsiung of Taiwan today returned
a 59, three-under-par, to take the
lead on the opening day of the
Taiwan Open Golf Championship,
the eighth leg of the 10-nation
Asian circuit.

Kuo, winner of this year's Hong
Kong Open, had two birdies on
the outward aitie, and two more
on the homeward journey. He
dropped a stroke at the 17th, One
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oropped a stroke at the 1/th, One stroke behind, on -70, were the American Mike Kranz and Hiroshi Yamada from Japan's Norihika Massumphy shared strick and Japan's Norihika

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Matsumoto Shared third place
LEADING SCORES: 69 kmc Chisung (Taiwan: 70 M. Krantz (US).
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Since 1967 a total of 356 golf courses have been constructed in England, Scotland and Wales, the Golf Development Council reported

By Sydney Friskin
Combined 5.0

The Civil Service hockey team ended their march of triumph against the Armed forces by beating Combined Services at Aldershot yesterday in the last of the yearn's annual fixures. Both goals were scored in the second half.

In an uneventful first half Civil short corners, because of an awk. wardly bouncing ball which in any

wardly bouncing ball which in any case did not come out fast enough from the line. Combined Services, despite the industry of May and Martin, and some lively runs on the left by Hardwick, never really combined well.

With Dixon's arrival in place of Carrigan, Civil Service re-arranged their from line, So, too, did Combined Services after Drury had replaced Rama.

By exploiting the speed of Eliks on the right wing, Civil Service made better progress in the second half. An improvement in the Combined Services' attack also became more perceptible as time ticked by but they had to wait until two minutes from the cod for their first short corner.

A generous award of a short corner for a foot infringement

Civil Service complete

rout of Armed Forces

Hockey

first round



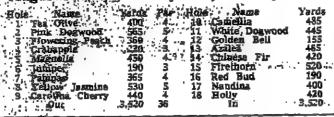
Bob Goalby: the man who "shot the gun" in the Masters.

merkable for the fact that they included only one par, and that as late as the 530yd eighth where a long uphill put fell perhaps an luch short. Otherwise he stole a stroke six times and the course hit back twice, lece of luck was on the His one piece of luck was on the first, where his drive was bun-kered, and he chipped in from 25yd. The 22byd fourth confounded

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where a second shot perhaps two feet longer would have set up the possibility of another birdle. Instead, the ball, originally about 12ft beow tells; hote, agouithely rolled back another 20ft. His chin, and run went si after past and he was an inch away from his perfour.

Augusta course, hole by hole, name by name



his wooden clubs. Newton feally selected, then pleaved a stroke than stricted low, soared tree-top high as it reached the green and landed with a soft sign about 15ft from the hole. The distance was 220yd, according to a distinguished fellow traveller with a yardage chart, Richie Beanud, of cricker redown. The gallery of speciators willed in the path. The Australian champion played in the path. The Australian champion played the fourteenth poorly after a fine imposited and the fact that in last seasons Burry pean Cap semi-final round they bear a Cologie team more dangerous than Ajax appear to be, Nottingham Forest can hope to induce a woodle, according to my trusty guide. He priched send puried woefelly, short and who have retained the trophy at even messed a third purt of two feet. To avoid, stropping two strokes, He was a model of constituently the heart was a m

mp fourteenth poorly after a flor upfell drive, all of 160yd, according to my trusty guide. He priched and puried woesfelly, short and puried woesfelly, short and puried woesfelly, short and even nessed a third puri of two feet to avoid dropping two strokes. He was a model of consistency thereafter, and came home the decked a puri all of four-feet to avoid dropping to three under not how strokes by another foreigner. David Graham, the foreigner. David Graham, the second of the since Admirables though it was, was soon surpassed by two strokes by another foreigner. David Graham, the second of the since Admirables are the holders a two-goal adventage to hold the limit to be under party with his comparior, he short the mine the east of the since the the acquisition more than luke-warm braise but Francis has now scored four goals in four Euro-pean ries, as well as one for England in Spain last minuth. The implications for England are as welcome as they are for Forest; Francis has convincingly; proved that he can accommodate those marking and turn is to a testa's advantage.

Although Ajax were disappoint-ing, they still had the wisdom of Krol in their defence; but he was unable to organize an effective greef with the tee-study and part.

Sot home with a chip and part.

Mark James, the first of the three british players on the course, had a round of 74; for which he said he was duly grateful; in view of the way ite played. His opening dive was unpromising, but he had a shor to the green and got his four. It was, however, something of a scramble and only too characteristic of his round. Never once did he hit the ball squarely off his driver, he said, yet a long purt on the seven-teenth put him only one over par. Alas, he took three from the back of the home hole.

Magic carpet: Peter McGvoy, Britain's outstanding amateur, gives the credit for one of the most remarkable stairs to a season, in years to his living room carpet.

"My putting's really good", he said after cound for the masters.

far this year, including the Duncan Putter last week.
His goal this week is to win the amateur medal, which would be a notable achievement against 12 American amateurs, including the outstanding Bobby Clampett. McBvoy felt his practice so far had some well, specially his driving, long rous and outsing schools he had reservations about his six, seven, eight and nine from. But he has been scoring well.

By Peter Ryds

The Halford Hewitt golf tournament entered on its accord saifcontury yesterday with charapague in the six and on the first tee, followed by a flurry of activity, exceptional even by this tournament's standards. By lunchtime Eton, Charterhouse and Loretto were sut of it, followed soon afterwards by the holders Srowe, bearen by Watson's.

When, faur in the day, Highgate had chipped in to win at the 19th and Harrow had been chased to the 20th in the key match against Glenalmond, we had become hardened to surprises. Not even Mari-

Glenalmond, we lidd become har-dened to surprises. Not even Mari-borough, last year's runners-up, were iminune. In their key match against Oundle, Nivon and Webber came back from two down with three to play, to win at the 19th. Rugby restored credibility to the form book with a 5—0 victory over Aldenham, which may prove significant.

Since 1957 3 total of 356 golf courses have been constructed in England, Scotland and Wales, the Golf Development Council reported restorday. Of these 219 were private and 137 public. During 1979 121 courses were completed and another 30 under construction. Giver Andenam, which may prove find the most surprising defeat was perhaps that of Loratio. They are not past winners, but in the last decade, they have frequented the last eight, and recorded all told 31 victories, compared with two in

stooms made no mistake from the spot.

Four minutes later a long hit by Dixon was picked up by Gat-field on the right. A defender's foot again came in the way of the shot but this time the umpire applying the advantage rule gave Ellis the opportunity to run in and score.

and score.

A brilliant save on the line by Draper prevented Ellis from scoring again in the 30th minute. From the short Corner that followed. Dixon that a post and the short better that followed.

tonowed. Dixon for a post and there were further signs that Civil Service might score again. When play switched to the other end Combined Services had their chances as well from two short corners but both hits by Draper were well saved by Wilson.

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COMBINED SERVICES: B Set D.

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the same period by their van-quishers. Stonyhurst. The heroes-of that match were two doctors, in a team that contained five medical

Dr. F. Tweddell, son of a famous golfing father, and Dr. O'Fliggins, by dint of a long putt each on the 18th sod 20th, kept the key match going after being in serious trouble, must at the 21st. David Greenhough, booked into ground from which his brother could not rescue him. rescue him.

No such heroics attended the lo defeat of Charterhouse by Repton. Ci Both teams had, before the start, presented a pair of silver jugs to the club, to mark its long association with the tournament. The gift was received by the captain of Royal Cinque Ports, Gordon Taylar, who later, partnered by John Davies of the Walker Cup team, drove the first bell in Cranleigh's match against Haileybury. Repton flourished on a perfect spring morning playing genrally more steadily than their opponents, and confirming their reputation, based on three last-eights in the past four years, of ebing a dangerous Both teams he four years, of ebing a dangerous team to meet in the early stages.

East goes west

but North and

South live again

By Joyce Whitehead
North and South recorded their
only wins when the last two
matches were played in the three-

matches were played in the three-day territorial Junior (under 18) tournament in Cheltenham yesterday. With West the clear champions, South toppied Midland' hopes of second place by beating them 2-0. The first was a mishit corner. Karen Brown's shot trickling through three defenders, and the second a cross pass deflected in by an unlucky goal-keeper.

eeper. Carol Downie deserved her two

goals against East to bring North
to fourth place: East, for whom
nothing went right, had to be
content with the wooden spoon.
The England party for the
under-18 international tournament,
which starts today in Cheltenham,
is:

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EMGLAND: R. Brown (Surrey)
E. Putler (North): B Halph (North):
S. Hobbon (West): S. Holwell (Ninh)
Inds, Captain, M. Hotskins (East): G
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S. Tweedle (North): A. Wheatley
(North):

Derbyshire to appeal

Derbyshire are to appeal against the Test and County Cricket Board's refusal to allow them to sizu Barry Wood from Lanca-shire.

Halford Hewitt Cup full of surprises Over at Royal Sr George's. Eron just failed to extricate themselves, from a hopeless-looking position, against Merchant Taylors', after being one down with two to play in their last four mutches, having won the first. In two of these, they won the 18th and 19th; Dixon holing from 10 feet for Kion in one of them, to keep the match alive, and his partner Martyn hitning his second deed for a birdie at the extra hole, but all birdle at the extra hole, but all this was of no avail; for the Tay-lors' bottom pair. Stradling and Challis, got their four at the 19th.

Barold Solomon, who was seeded No 2, was eliminated by his fellow American, Bill Scanlon, who produced a surprisingly strong baseline game to win 5–3, 6–4. The No 1 seed, Jose Bigueras, of Spain, was taken to

Table tonnis Disappointing response by

Berne, April 10

formed. It is a sad story in some ways, but epitomises the harsh commercial aspect of modern Douglas is by no means a grasping man, but he does have a realistic appreciation of his worth. At 24, he knows, like all sportmen, that his earnings will not remain high as the years pass and that he must take care of his bank halance with he can. balance while he can. Douglas, who has recently purchased a who has recently purchased a house in Birmingham, would have been the first to be thankful if the matter had been resolved differently. He does not enjoy the

Hockey board determined not to budge

The first attempt to force the Great Britain Hockey Board to re-Great Britain Hockey Board to reconsider its decision to boycott
the Moscow Olympics has failed.
A motion proposed by Middlesex,
at a special meeting of the Southern Counties Hockey Association
was defeated by 9—8.

Hockey is one of only two
sports—equestrianism is the other
—to aunounce that it will be heeding the Prime Minister's advice
to the ways from the games but

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increase the lead. To feel condi-dent that they can hold their advantage would be to insite a

By Norman Fox
Football. Correspondent
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Hazell escapes ban despite 40-point total

The Queen's Park Rangers defender, Bob Hazell, had a remarkable let-off at an FA disciplinary hearing in Loudou yesterday when he excluded only a strong reprimand for reaching 40 points. Hazelf, sent off price this season and suspended for a total of five games, expected to be out of Rangers' final challenge for proportion from the second division.

conduct, as were John Curbush of Sheffield United, and la Elaby, of Port Vale. The Northigham Forest defender

Mottram surrenders lead Miss Austin g

or markers for he often had to escape more than one—and fore-warn the rest of Europe that he will be a considerable force in the

Wednesday's results

Scottish second division

Mottram, the top-ranked player trol of the match efter breaking service for a 2-1 lead in the third set; but the stocky American fought back to draw level at 2-2, and, after leading 4-3, won the last eight points to take the match.

BUGBY UNION: Leterator v Lough

fellow cousinyman. Peter McNames, 64, 6 Coming back from 4-1 and 4-2 deficits, and Gottfried, who won the fournament in 1876 before plunging in the world rankings, put out another Australian, Geoff Masters, 6-2; 5-2 Respit 78 Second round (18 imines autod): E. Teitucine best 't' Moore, 6-2; W. Scanlon best H. Soloman, 6-3; W. Scanlon best H. Soloman, 6-3; W. Scanlon best H. Soloman, 6-3; Francisco (Sozin) best E. Francisco (Sozin) best E. Teitucine C. Mottrana (GS) 6-3; E. Dibbs best C. Mottrana (GS) 6-3; E. Dibbs best C. Mottrana (GS) 6-3; E. M. Rousen best S. Steward, 6-4; M. Rousen best S. Steward, 6-4; R. Francisco (Australia) best P. McNames (Australia) 6-4; 6-4; Regular

the Abyear old Ranes Richards, 6 Cobers who reached the third

round today were 16-year-old Bertina Bunge, Paula Smith, Bar-Bertina Bunge, Paula Smith, Bar-burk Jordan, al Americans, and Duk Hee Lee of Korea.

Bunge best Michelle Gurdal of Belgium. 6—3, 7—5, Smith defeated Diange, Evers of Austra-lia, 6—3, 6—5, Jordan defeated a fellow American, Maria Fernan-dez, 7—5, 6—1, and Lee overcama Sharry Acker of the United States, 6—4, 6—3.

Boxing

Minter, middl middleweight

Alan Minter will make his first world middleweight championship defence in his own country—and in the middle of the night. Minter, who has held the title for less that a mouth, puts it at stake at Wembley against Vito Autuofermo, from whom he took it, on a promotion that steris on May 16 or May 25 and ends the following day.

Minter's role in the proceedings

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Minter's role in the proceedings is due to begin at 1 am on Sauraday morning, May 17 or May 24, as part of the biggest boxing extravaganza staged in Britain.

The reason for this strange hour is the tie-up with American relevision, which is providing a lot of the money. Early Saturday morning in London represents prime viewing time the previous evening on the United States east coast.

coast.

The schedule so far is: 11 pm British bantanweight champion-ship, Johnny Owen v Jon Freney; midnight—European flyweight championship Charlie Magri v Giovanni Camputaro; 1 ambiliter v Antuofermo; 2 am, on closed circuit theatre television. screens: Sugar Ray Leonard v Pipito Cuevas for undisputed world weiterweight ride; 3 an-one further world pite bout on

Closed circuit.

The Magri contest will not be confirmed until April 21, when bids close. At will be the most expensive bosing promotion staged in this country and easily the most ambittons. To use Wembley on May 16 would mean the promoters buying out for the night the Harlem Globetrotters professional basketball show, which is on all the week.

the week-

Swimming

bisish international breaststroke swimmers. Margaret Keity and Duncan Goodhew, will be tested during the eight-nation Coca-Cola international which starts at Leeds tonight. Goodhew is due to meet the West German. Gerald Mörken, the world 100 metres breaststroke record bolder, and the Russians. Aleksander Federovskiv, who was second in the world in 1979, and the improving Arsen Misicarov, ranked eleventh. Goodhew himself finished last season third in the world over

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corner for a foot infringement outside the circle led to the first and in the 12th minute of this period. The corner gave way to a penalty stroke after Eagan's foot For the record

LIEGE: Tour of Belgium, final stages

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Baseball AMERICAN LEAGUE: Southir Mari-ner. 3. Toronto Blun Jadrs 6 NATIONAL LEAGUE: Cincinnati Reds 9. Atlanta States 0.

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sponsors for Douglas

Berne, April 10

The attempts by the English
Table Tennis Association (ETTA)
to woo Desmond Douglas, their
only world class player, away from
the West German Bundesliga next
season, have almost certainly
failed. "We have been unable to
raise enough money, though it was
our earnest desire to have done
so." Mr Tom Blunn, the ETTA
thairman, said today at the European championships here.
Something around £20,000 to pean championships here.

Something around £20,000 to £25,000 was the figure involved and £TTA were only able to guarantee Douglas about £10,000 annually, money made up by coaching engagements, together with help to find equipment guarantees, and writing contracts. The remainder had to come from outside sponsors. There was talk of a link with British Leyland after the fastion of Captain Mark Phillips, but this came to nothing. There had also been a disappointing response from local sponsors.

league clubs, one of whom the ETTA had hoped would help make up the balance of what Douglas Douglas, therefore, has little option at the moment than to continue his regular cross-channel communing to Germany. Whether he stays with Dusseldorf, the club he stays with Dusseldorf, the club he has been with for three years, or is signed by their usar by rivals, Jülich, or anyone else, re-mains to be seen. The various contracts will be dangled when the European champlouships end on Sunday, and their worth de-pends on how Douglas has per-formed. It is a sail story in some

ing response from local sponsors connected with English national

travelling backwards and forwards to Germany, and has a genuine desire to help develop standards among the younger English players.

At least Douglas will insist, for he moment, that he is available or England's European league

Olympic Games

matches and for the important events on the international programme. Whether Douglas's enthusiasm for European league play will continue should England be relegated from the premier division, remains debatable. Without Jill Hammersley next winter, relegation becomes a distinct possibility. Most of England's wins at the moment tend to be 4—3 affairs in the league with Mrs Hammersley's unbeaten record in singles, and frequent success in mixed doubles, a crucial countbution.

It is a worrying time for the

It is a worrying time for the ETTA who, for all their efforts, often find themselves out of their depth in the deep and swirling waters of international competition in the 1980s. They have just heard that the BBC intend to drop the relevision series Top Table next year, and this will mean a big loss of income. They are also still digesting the effects of the latest European Table Tennis Union ruling that the English Open, sponsored by Norwich Union at Brighton each January, must alternate, in future years, in recognition with the Weish Open. Both these matters could affect the fature relationship between the English game and their sponsors.

With most of today's programme devoted to qualifying matches, there was plenty of time to discuss these matters. There was no let up either among the players in their grumbles about the cold and draughty conditions. the cold and draughty conditions in the Allmand Ice Hockey Stadium here. Douglas said:
"The wind blowing through makes it a farce; you leave a ball alone and it swerves on to ball alone and it swerves, on to the table unexpectedly. The Europeans' should never have been staged in this place ". Hard words, but arguably true. Autia Stevenson (Leicester) was the only English team, member inonly English team memor in volved in the women's qualifying competition; she beat Jolande. Noordam (Netherlands) 21—22, 21—18, 21—16, but was apenicliminated against Brigitte Tairiet of France 19—21, 24—22, 23—16, 13—21, 12—21.

Reward for Travers John Trayers, who has captained the unbeaten Wimbledon College side this season, wins his first cap for the England under-19 Rugby Union team against Ireland at Twickenham tomorrow. Trayers replaces Paul Jeffrey at scrum half, the only change from the side heaten 13—11 by Scotland on Wednesday.

to aunounce that it will be heeding the Prime. Minister's advice to stay away-from the games, but the decision has brought a storm of protest from within the ranks. The Great Britain Men's Hockey. Board has made it clear however that it intends to stand firm, unless one of its three constituent associations—England, Scotland or Wales—calls an extraordinary meeting.

The board issued a statement yesterday underlining that the three countries "were unanimous in their decision not to go to Moscow under the present circumstances". The statement continues. "The Great Britain men's players and management's views were put to the board by the team mauager. The split vote concerned only the timing of the announcement of the constituent associations' decision".

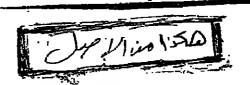
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Hocker has lost its support from the Amateur Fencing Association but their decision to send a team to Moscow after all, will not greatly increase Britain's medal hopes. Not since the 1964 Olympics in Tokyo has a British fencer had something to show for his efforts. The importance of the vote in favour of participation is that it pots the hockey and equestrian authorities even more out on a limb. They are the only two of the '26 Olympic sports to have stated that they will boycott Moscow, although yachting and swimming could still ioin them after meetings on April 14 and April 25, respectively.

The fencing association remains opposed to the Games being held in 'USSE' but feel that the National 'Clympic Committee's decision to send a team means that there would be porthing to gain from steping away.

The majority of Great Britain's hockey players would echo those thoughts. The revolt that is growing at the factions to creating weeks. Roger Self, manager of the men's hockey team, has said he will resign if the decision to boycott Moscow is not reversed. On the other hand Richard Oldcorn, the overall fencing man manager, may also consider his future now that the AFA has voted to go.

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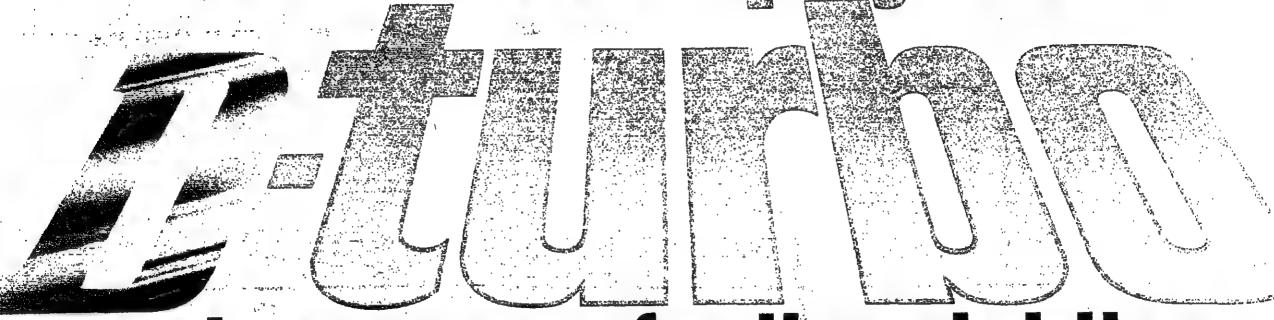
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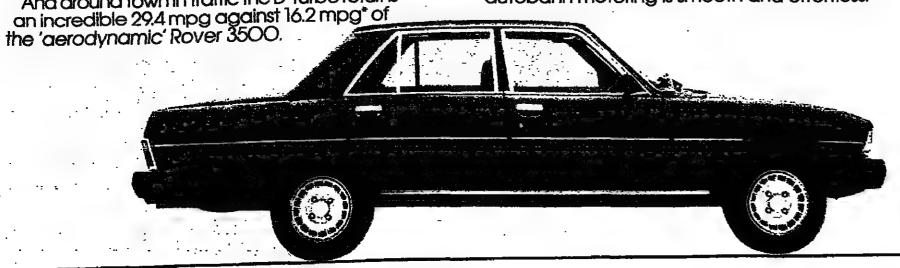
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The war that ended the Phoney War

abruptly on April 9, 1940, with ler abone reach the front.

The Finns asked for a few the Allies, Britain and France, facing at Narvik, below the Circle, what some thought was the wrong enemy, in the wrong place at the wrong time.

It was a suitably bizarre curtain to six months of unreality, marked by the weaving of grandiose plans for military intervention which never took place. The theatre would have been Finland, the occasion, possibly the last of the great causes of the thirties, and it is perhaps appropriate that we should recall the Winter War now for the aggressor was the

Soviet Union.

In the Kafkaesque atmosphere prevailing in Europe in the late summer of 1939 the fate of Finland, only one of the small states struggling unavailingly to stay outside the now aligning power blocs, caught the democracies imagination. caught the democracies image his new ally. Hitler. The pact imation. But in its fight for that cleared the way for the survival, when eventually it Second World War also signature that year, Finland found itself as "the rape of Finland."

The Finns were preparing to having the moral support of all those nations upsympathetic to the upholy allience of Moscow found themselves at war in the sering and the backing of a League of Nations resolution diate and humiliating loss of naving me moral support of all those nations unsympathetic to the upholy alliance of Moscow and Berlin and the backing of a League of Nations resolution

Then there were offers of medical supplies—a fully-cquipped ambulance unit was by Sweden—but actual war material, the fighters and long-range artillery needed to break up massed Russian for-mations in the air and on the ground, were only grudgingly conceded, so much so that the war was over before weapons.

Phoney War ended of any real value left Britain, Hurricanes, but an Air Ministry short of material itself could release only obsolete Gladiator biplanes. Volun-teers flocked to join up and some even underwent ski training on Hampstead Heath.

The northern Baltic, serving as it did as a front door to Russia, had been tacitly agreed as a Soviet zone of influence. Which meant that small countries could be neutralized, perhaps to be swallowed later at leisure. Russia began the pro-cess with the Baltic republics—after all it was Latvia where a certain lady is sup-posed to have gone for a ride on the back of a tiger. How far it intended to go with Finland is uncertain; a puppet govern-ment was set up in a border town but never had the remu-

test credibility.

The Russian invasion stemmed from the fact that Stalin felt he could not trust bemb

diate and humiliating loss of

urging those same nations to urging those same nations to buffer for Russia's northern. There was talk, lots of it; and there were gestures; the League wound up a decade of empty gestures against totalitarian aggression, and incidentally its own span, by expelling his 90th birthday at his Mos. Soviet Russia and passing that resolution, its last.

There was talk, lots of it; flank.

One of the principal figures would have balked at. He suggester and although the suggestion war. And although the suggestion was turned down, the Chiefs of Staff did seriously consider the possibility of war with Russia, as the Foreign Office papers in the Public Record Office show. causes of the war, put out for international communists to talk of "Finnish militarists" deliberately provoking the Soviet Union through a border incident, also led to defections from the party. One of the British comradee favourite sorgs, about the Red. of the British comraded favourite songs, about the Red. Air Force, ran: "We drop the workers leaflets while we



Finnish troops with captured tanks after their victory over the Russian 44th disision in 1940.

breach of diplomatic relations their bosses." The words were at marked variance with newsreels showing Soviet bomb damage to Finnish workers' homes. with Russia or a declaration of

war.

In the latter connexion I venture to suggest that Stalin is a more likely winder than Herr Hitler and if left to his own devices is accordingly pos-Another, smaller but no less interesting player in the drama is still alive and living in retirement in Switzerland. As own devices is accordingly pos-sibly the greater menace of the two....." He goes on to ask how the Soviet Union could be damaged and suggests "an arrangement with Japan". He says: "Japan, which would be-in a position to deal Russia's criminal policy a sickening British Minister in Helsinki, Mr Thomas Snow had the un-enviable task of interpreting the growing crisis.

What was so singular about
Mr Snow's briefings was that
they went beyond ordinary criminal policy a sickening blow, is animated by a deep-seated hostility to Bolshevism. At the same time the prospect of securing Vladivostock, Amur and Sakhalin would appeal profoundly to Japanese aspirations." He continued that such an Angin Japanese arrangement would be in line with United States policy. All this drew from the Foreign Office was the marginal note: that the Japanese diplomatic usage and urged a ploy to relieve pressure on Finland that a Schlieffen would have balked at. He sug-

On October 21, Trafalgar Day, in a soitably pugnacious mood, Mr Snow telegraphed Whitehall: "I assume that the choice before His Majesty's Government in the case of the infauttees crime in question is al note: that the Japanese would probably want a quid pro quo", such as a completely tree hand in China . . . which would involve quite as immoral a transaction as acquiescence in a Russian attack on Fin-land." iniquitous crime in question (a Russian attack) will present itself as a choice between a

However, on the 30th this

minute appeared in Foreign Office files. "If Soviet action, either in Scandinavia or in Central Asia, were to endanger British interests, it is conceiv-sible that we might find it necessary to encourage Japan to attack the Soviet Union, especially as we are not our-solves in the position to take military action against that country ourselves."

the reference to Asia and the date sare interesting for two days liker the War Cabinet were considering the study from the Chiefs of Staff.
Under the general heading of "effects a such a war" the military ghiefs wrote: "The main disadvantage of declaring war would be that we might soon have no force an attack by soon heve to face an attack by Russia against Iran, Iraq and India and there would be in-tensification of Naval strack upon our made.

But, according that an alliance between Germany and Russia "sourt be an uneasy one", the chiefs draw attention to the dangers of an over-tion to the dangers of an over-tion of the war into the neutrons. flow of the war into the neu-tral Scandingvian countries rrst Scandinavian countries and the effect in fuelling Germany's forms for iron ore supplies.

Any threat to interrupt that might provoke a reaction. And so it did. For all the huffing and puffing about Russia, Fin-land fought on with the help of the bitterest winter weather honour, but at a cost of far more territory than if it had yielded. Churchill's wish for intervention to cut the iron ore link was realized too late. It turned out as the generals predicted; the real threat proved to be the Nazis and in the race for the Arctic they

Mr Snow's theories, with the cease fire sounded in Karelia, were safety condemned as "half-baked" and he was replaced. The Times on March 16; said: "Some idea of the dauntless spirit of Finland may be gained from the fact that already the idea of holding the Olympic Games this year, for which preparations in Finland were well advanced, is being were well advanced, is being discussed." Of course they were cancelled and the athletes village used for precious post-war housing. But Finland did get its chance—it staged the Games in 1952.

John Crossland

Geoffrey Smith

The task for. Labour's reformers

There is so much talk about some disagreement as constitutional reform in the independent it is in Labour movement these days if is not these days is that it has become something instrument of the W of a party obsession. But there the arrangement clee is a distinctive feature about not give complete say the attention that Labour MPs. The kind of propos are directing to their own pro-being considered are cedures: this cannot be por various subject group trayed as simply another battle the PLP to nominate the between left and right. Inevit- members to serve on al ably this conflict enters into it, tees of the House or as it does into every aspect of for the chairmen Labour activity at the moment groups to be consulte

But on two of the most sub- such nominations are stantive questions before the and for the PLP as a working party on the Parlia elect some mentary Labour Party, which members will move towards its critical Selection. decisions soon after the House reassembles next week and is expected to report sometime in the early summer, there is a fair amount of common ground between the active reformers of left and right.

Wedgwood Benn and Mr Eric:
Heffer, who presented a joint
paper to the PLP last summer,
and Mr Michael Meacher, who
has delivered a paper to the
working party. None of them
is a member of the working
party, though all have given party, thought all have given evidence to it. On the right the most eager, reformers are Mr Mike Thomas. Mr Giles Radice and Mr Phillip Whitehead all of whom are on the ten man working party.

There are differences between both these groups and within them, but both advocate measure, coursel by hereberchers.

greater control by backbenchers

greater control by backbenchers over who serves on standing and select committees of the House of Commons, and over the choice of a Labour cabinet.

Those who believe simply that the right of decision on byerything should be spread wider still and wider will give a reflex cheer on both scores. But in fact two very different principles ere involved and it would be wiser to consider the two propositions separately.

The essence of the British parliamentary system is that the government is part of Parliament, deriving its authority from Parliament. The function of Parliament, however, is not simply to band over this power has been appropriate the power to the power than but to scrutinize the use to which it is put and to check the proposals presented by gov-erhment. In so far as Parlisment makes an unconditional surrender of power to govern-ment Britain becomes in constitutional terms, as Lord Hailsham put it, an elective dictatorship.

It is to correct what is widely balleved to be too pronounced a trend in that direction that a potentially stronger structure of select committees has been established in the present Par-Hament. The work of govern-ment has become so complex that it cannot be scrutizized in any depth in a chamber of 635

be able to realize their potential if government can, through the Whips, exclude the more independent members from serving on the particular committees where they would be most knowledgable. The same principle applies to the standing committees which consider the details of all legislation.

The membership of both select and standing committees is now determined by the House of Commons Committee of Selection, which is itself nominated by the Whips. There is , elect some or all of th members of the Com

The case for givi

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A reasonable case c true, be made for patronage on the grou it is used to inhib work of government rigorously as they shou and you will not be ap more awkward question days and the effect of greater control to the this field would he to

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Why the silver gang studies the market

Among the identikit pictures that the volatile silver market and duty rosters on the walls has whittled down the value of of the incident room for the police inquiry into the "Great Silver Bullion Robbery" some Silver Bullion Konver,

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The hlack line does not start the value on the morning of March 24 when the 10 tons of ingots were loaded into a container. Hours later, andd uncertainty and conflicting reports, to fortune. Over the years everyone fixed on £4m when there have been many such one of the three travelling with the silver freed himself, rushed up to a passer-by and said: "Get the police- I've just lost four million pounds worth of security protection for bullion

It is some consolation to large firm to the Detective Superintendent David Little and his team of up to 40 via one middle-aged officers from the robbery squad day of the robbery.

the haul since then to a figure hovering at £2.6m. If and when the gang are caught they will be charged with the original

The rising red line shows the cost of the inquiry while the values the black line can only drooping black line marks the so up. What it represents is a combination of dogged police work interspersed with snetched from a lay-by on the moments bordering on the bizerre.

Bit by hit, thanks to the co-£4m but £3.339m, which was operation of the public and the picture is emerging: Apart from snything else it under-lines the fact that the silver was little more than a hostage there have been many such loads taken to Tilbury by Jeppesen Heaton Ltd and the 10 tons stolen was by no means the most valuable. Two years ago runs was transferred from a large firm to the three-man company protecting the silver, via one middle-aged man, on the

The police are following up dozens of tips—one came from a water diviner, one from a medium in California

> that dozens of people must have got in the lane ahead of the known about the runs, and the bullion and flashed its lights arrangements for the trip of to the waiting "policeman" March 24 were drawn up three and two "census takers". days beforehend. The gang had a weekend to organize themselves and they put the time to good use. The false census point was set up at 7.30 am, long before the load left Lon-

The gang—the police think there may have been at least 10 involved-took the risk of being detected to keep the site clear of parked forries.

To make sure everything was ready two vans were on the A13 shadowing the bullion and A13 shadowing the bullion and about 60lb, Mr Little thinks it its escorting car. They could could have been transferred identify the bullion lorry be quickly. What has happened

The silver might still have cause it was marked with the been safe if its transit was kept name of the company. On the a secret but the police think approach to the lay-by one van

After seizing the bullion, gang remained cool. The police have one report that the stolen —the bullion was in a container on an attached trailer—was parked an hour after the alarm had been given by a driver who sauntered off and caught a number 101 bus. Since then, silence, It only took 45 minutes to load the bullion at the warehouse and aithnugh each ingot weighs about 60lb, Mr Little thinks it

since remains conjecture, despite almost duity raids by the police on suspects.

The value of the bullion to the gang would be between a half and a third of its legitimate worse but that is still a hefty sunt and they almost certainly had a buyer in mind when they moved. The silver may have been melted down with a base metal to make it unidentifiable or even been cur up—silver is soft.

unidentifiable or even been cut up—silver is soft.

Mr Little believes the gang may well be waiting for the market tot rise before acting. Builtion and silver dealers are warned tot watch for any unusual approaches. It is the moment when the gang decides to move eggin that may be crucial to the police, because it means the number of people involved increases and so does the chance of a weak link. It is being emphasized that whatever the value of the silver at the time of recapture the reward of missing is the location of the time of recapture the reward of E300,000 still stands. That amount is likely to be far more than anythe in the gang will make from his share.

still over 260 tips and possible leads to be followed from the office in Walthamstow police station. The best one so far seemed to be that the silver was being exported from Great Yar-mouth inside four containers each holding copper scrap.
Three days of searching among
30 tons of copper in three of
the containers—the fourth was stopped and searched in Bel-gium by local police-produced

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Braving the hazards of

A few months ago there mysteriously appeared on the Moscow black market all kinds of French kitchenware—saucepans, knives, glasses and crock-ery. No-one knew where they came from, until tourists begun to report that the new luxury French-built Cosmos Hotel seemed to be extremely short of the most elementary objects such as plates, forks and table claths.

Soviet hotels

Now the Cosmos, a gleaming 25-storey edifice with 3,642 beds, restaurants to seat 3,400, chandeliers, marble halls and a daily room rate to put it in the four-star class, is perforce becoming a little more Soviet-

It was not intended to be, When the contract was signed, the French undertook to provide everything. The entire labour force was brought in from France or Yugoslavia. The only Russians on the building site were dustmen and cleaners. Apart from sand, gravel and cement practically everything was shipped by rail or lorry from France. All the fixtures from doorknobs to hathtubs were of French or other Westren makes. Only in this way, Intourist and the contractors agreed, could Moscow be guaranteed a grand hotel where everything worked.

As almost everyone who has visited the Soviet Union has discovered, most hotels do not work-at least, not in a way that resembles anything at

First of all, as a foreigner it is almost impossible to find out in advance where you are going port, are whisked off in an Intourist car and discover your destination only when you get there. Checking in theoretically. is simple as the entire stay has to be paid in advance and you just produce your vouchers,



Moscow's Cosmos Hotel, built by the French with four-star prices

But if your are a businessman or long term resident it is more or long-term resident it is more complicated: you have to produce letters, forms, authorization from the Central City Hotel Administration. And it costs a fortune if you want to pay in roubles. Evernight hotel rates have just risen by up to 200 per cent. A double room in a motel in Suzdal now costs 90 roubles (\$00). Having checked in you are

given a slip of paper with your room number. Don't throw it away because it is the only away occase it is the only means of getting back into the hotel once you have stepped outside, unless you are prepared for a great deal of pleading and arguing with an obstinate fild man at the main door.

door.
You then go up to your floor to get the key from the dezhournaya or "lady on the floor" as there exen her rather quaintly described in some brothere. These controlle figures duantly described in some orochures. These venerable figures in a group you wan
appear to have no official function other; than handing out
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with a child they quickly turn into bappy old grannies who will willingly baby-sit, provide tea and chat about the weather at any time of the day or night. Sometimes a porter has already preceded you into the Notions that tipping is uncom-munist have largely dis ap-

peared. But you are not meant to have any roubles vet and Russians are not allowed to receive foreign currency. solution is simple if you have several packets of chewing gum in your pocket, though if you're not American this necessity is hard to foresee. Meals in Soviet hotels take

an extremely long time. If you e part of a senior delegation table has been reserved. grosning with bottles of vodka, lemonade. champagne plates of cold salad no matter what time of day you arrive. If he shepherded to a special area

you are wise enough to come waiting for you, only to find

that you have eaten part of a tour group's breakfast. You will be roundly abused by the wait-ress, the group leader and the hapless tourist who then has to go without. Or you might fency what the group is eating but individuals must pick from the menu. You can guarantee that most of the dishes are off, including those

dishes are off, including those being eaten by your tour group neighbours.

One problem with Intourist hotels is that they organize catering centrally, and Moscow decides the allocations. I found in Georgia that though the local markets were full of fresh vegetables, there were no tomatoes or cucumbers to be had in the restaurant.

Most Soviet hotel montes are Most Soviet hatel rooms are

adequately furnished, though Pravda recently complained that there were no factories making hotel furniture and repairs were difficult. Beware if vou are tail: Soviet beds are short with wooden ends. I lived factory offices, on camp for a year in a hotel in Minsk in hotel halls, on park be and never managed to get the and so on. "What is espo bed changed. The only solution was to dismantle the footboard every night, with the occasional structure while I was sleeping. Still, foreign tourists fare

far better than Russians. In the Minsk Hotel I sometimes saw forlorn families wandering about the corridor in their pyjamas in the middle of the night. It appears there is a system of "bumping" accord-ing to seniority, and if you are unlucky enough to be asleep when a top party delegation unexpectedly late at arrives the manager turns you out of your room. One Russian who travelled a

lot on business was so fed up that he detailed the usual scenario in a newspaper article some mombs ago. He said whenever he arrived in town he went to the hotel- in the morning and found there were no vecancies. Although he had written in the hotel in advance the director denied ever receive ing the reservation. He went on: "After paying

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E WRONG STRUCTURE w that has erupted over one hody. An organization that pping of five members is to be active in fostering racial e Commission for Racial harmony is bound to engage in a · might easily he discertain amount of campaigning. as a petty squabble that exercising pressure and cajolery to attract no more than upon public authorities and priattention. It is entirely vate groups. A law enforcement ile that a new Governagency must adopt a different style if it is to command public ould wish to make some pointments to such a confidence. The purpose of the ion when the current law on race relations is not to ; come to the end of m of office. There are make people of different backgrounds get on well with each iduals who can be reother, which would be beyond s truly representative of the scope of any legislation ic minorities in Britain, known to man, but to provide mor be wrong in prinsafeguards for minorities against ring the changes a bit. certain forms of discrimination. that a better public It needs to be enforced, as do in would have been conother laws, in an impartial spirit, the names of adequate Otherwise there will be such ents could have been resentment among the majority d at the same time as community that racial tension s of the departures will be worse than before. the Home Office has That is why a militant style tht on the hop, but that is not fitting for the Commission unique event. Is there more to it than that? for Racial Equality so long as it has responsibility for law en-forcement. But the basic weakis. The episode illusne of the basic weakness is that no body should be n the official race asked to perform both functions. machinery in Britain

The Labour government refused e members who are not to take this point when it passed the Race Relations Act of 1976 ppointed are known to en particularly conthe Commission and the present Government is in danger of making a similar mis-take. The Home Office is scurryiopt a highly visible. strategy on behalf of minorities. The deciing around in the hope of finding replacements for the departing therefore attracted members before the end of the icism .among the minmonth without any apparent appreciation that there will be unfortunate time, just Bristol riot. It would recurring problems so long as imply to fasten on to the structure is left unchanged. and to conclude that ament had once again hamfisted handling of ons. But the problem

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What is required is a fresh consideration of the tasks that government ought to perform in this field. First, there is the task of law enforcement, which should be left to an organisation with no other function. Then there is a case for a national body that would offer advice, stimulate and possibly conduct research, and train and sustain those concerned with fostering good race relations at local level.

These responsibilities might be divided or might be performed hy a private organisation that would receive a grant from public funds. But an agency that o functions cannot be was responsible for all these and to take what a ly combined in the tasks would probably perform to further harmony.

factually treacherous class of

dramatized documentaries, where

authors basing themselves on

real events assume a freedom to

elaborate on the facts in order

to improve the entertainment,

sharpen the drama, or point a

moral. Another current example,

also strongly criticized, is the series A Man Called Intrepid.

Death of a Princess was a ruminative look at Islam, focus-

ing on a particularly scandalous

episode, and containing many

contradictory statements and ex-

pressions of opinion (none the

worse for that). There was much

about it to cause offence in the

Saudi ruling family, but it was

not a consistently bostile or

biased production.

It is a great pity that the
Saudis have elevated their sense

of outrage to the diplomatic

level. It may be some consolation

to them to know that they head

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vants of this country who, have

recently been outraged by some portrayal or other on the box:

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each of them better. In this instance there is no incompatibility between any of them. It would probably also be better to have a public body because there is no established private organisation of sufficient authority in the field, and it is hard to see how one could be deliberately created for the purpose without the risk of it becoming, or purporting to become, representative of the various ethnic communities. That should not be its purpose, but such a body could certainly afford to be more outspoken and a more active campaigner than the law enforcement agency.

This would mean essentially a return to the structure at national level that obtained before the 1976 Act, when there was the Race Relations Board the Community Relations Commission—though one would hope that any successor body would be rather more impressive than the CRC. But there should be an important change at local level. The value of local community relations councils and community relations officers varies a good deal. Where they are effective there is almost invariably a satisfactory working relationship with the local authority, and there is a strong case for putting the CROs under their respective local authorities -while making their appointment subject to the approval of the national body, which would also be responsible for their training.

The CROs would then be in a better position to influence those decisions which matter so much for any minority com-munity. They would not be able to speak out in public so contentiously as many of them now do, but that is a price that would be well worth paying. Neither at national nor at local level is it the job of government to provide official spokesmen for minorities. It is up to them to find their own spokesman and to develop their own organisations, in the same way as any other group in British society. The task of government is to see that the law is enforced on discrimination

and to take what action it can IT CASE OF MUTUAL INCOMPREHENSION Lord Carrington and that artistically promising but Germans (who deplore our insatiable appetite for films about the war), immigrants, Puritans, Libertarians, Welshmen, bishops, prime ministers (our very own), MPs (almost without cessation).

the dispassionate viewer (find him if you can) it seems that the infuriated generally bave some cause for their infuriation. But that does not give them ground to prevent a showing or exact a penalty, except in so far as the laws of defamation come to their rescue. For it is all part of the rough-and-tumble of news, views, entertainment, art, persuasion. counter-persuasion. preaching and instruction, which, warts and all; constitute a prime ingredient of freedom. Without warts things might be pret-

tier but they would be less free. As for the Saudis and ourselves, a certain mutual incomprehension has to be admitted. We have difficulty in understanding or approving the rationale of their tariff and forms: of judicial punishment. They have difficulty with our diffused responsibility for what goes out field marshals, admirals of the on the public broadcasting chanfleet, secretaries of state for nels. But there is really no Northern Ireland, spymasters, excuse for letting that foul up Jews (who deplore Holocaust), state relations.

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The main danger today is of

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too much on a few big courses.

then owners might lose the in-

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borses to maintain the quality of

the country's breeding stock, But

the signs are that in spife of the

high cost of ownership today,

plenty of owners still find it

rewarding. The proposed changes

should encourage enterprise at all levels, though they would

obviously increase the problems

of some weaker courses. They

should stimulate the search for

sponsorship and other sources of

funds. The example of point-to-

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bookmakers could supply more assistance than they do (less than a penny from each pound they take), but the Royal Commission two years ago did not support the view that their profits are as large as punters think they have reason to believe.

Yesterday's report to the Jockey Club and the Levy Board firmly rejected the idea that the levy was best spent in protecting struggling courses from insolvency. It recommends new ways of distributing it so as to concentrate support on the more enterprising and successful courses and meetings. Capital grants and loans for new spec-tators' stands and other facilities would be available to those courses whose programmes and attendances best justified the investment. Contributions prize-money (which account for 60 per cent of the board's expenditure) would reflect the

Republic of China) counterparts over the BA rights to serve Peking-CAAC demanded Manchester as a destination in addition to London. This surprised the BA negotiators, who sought to know the hasis of such a demand. The reply was that BA was seeking, in Peking, not a new and first destination in China but a second as it already served

the well-known Chinese destination Hongkong. That disagreement was resolved but there would appear to be no chance at all that the Chinese authorities will look favourably on the introduction of a second Britishbased airline and will extract, as CPA and the Hongkong government plainly cannot, a reciprocal benefit. Of course such benefit will have been bought by Hongkong's loss in all proceeds from servicing either end of the route going to the United Kingdom. The belief that colonies, most especially those as sensitively placed as Hongkong, are for the exclusive use of the owner is surely a discredited and embarsharpen the competitive spirit of the Turf. rassing aftermath of the nineteenth

century. As British Caledonian was but few days before this latest decision, granted several new destinations in Europe it would seem that Hongkong must look elsewhere for support; in fact to the newest guarantor of her economic future, the People's Republic.

It may be of interest to note that in a very few months CPA will be the only Pacific Asian airline not to serve Britain. Now Thais, Japanese, Chinese, Malaysians, Singaporeans and Filipinos may travel on their local airlines to Britain and Koreans plan to do so

10010. At that time Cathay Pacific will be the only airline in the world flying only wide bodied aircraft powered exclusively by Rolls-Royce engines.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Towards the Dalai Lama's return

From the President of the Tibet Society of the United Kingdom

Sir, I fear that your leading article on April 8 entitled " Moves for the Dalai Lama's return" is 100 cuphoric. Of course the Chinese would like their occupation of Tibet to gain a shadow of legitimacy through a return there of the Dalai Lama. This they hope would remove from India the standard around which the culture and aspirations of Tibetans cling. And even talk of its possibility may dull realization in the West of communist oppression in Tibet. But the Dalai Lama would become a virtual prisoner, as has the Panchen Lama; and he has made it clear that there is no ques-tion of his return while conditions in Tibet are even remotely like they

in 1 libet are even remotely like they are at present.

There is a good deal of information available as to those conditions. Agricultural production has increased, but most of it is siphoned off for China's own purposes. Whereas in the old days there was normally a sufficiency of food in Tiber, Tibetans are now restricted to rations, which vary a little between areas but are about 11b of tween areas but are about 11b of barley a head a day. For this famine dier all of them, even grand-mothers of 84 and little children, have to work inordinately long hours in the fields, and then endure political tical indoctrination and confession

Their wool is also removed and they shiver in a bitter climate in cotton rags. All their images and household possessions were seized long ago. This regime has been im-nosed on them as a matter of policy for years. No wonder they look tattered, tired and depressed. The Chinese administration is allpervasive; Tibetans fill some positions but only cosmerically.

The recent relaxations amount to little. Religion is no longer actively persecuted. Travel inside Tibet is no

persecuted. Travel inside Tibet is no longer forbidden. Some western visitors and journalists have been taken on closely chaperoned tours, but unless they speak Tibetan they contact only Tibetans picked for them by their hosts.

Tibetans have just begun to be allowed to visit their relatives in India, provided they leave their families behind as bostages. A few Tibetan exiles visited their villages in different parts of Tibet in 1979 and have brought back the tale I and have brought back the tale I have summarized. The delegation which the Dalai Lama sent to Tibet last year "to assess conditions" found food scarce everywhere, although a little better in the towns. Life in the villages and among nomads was, "shocking" and the people generally "were scared to death of the Chinese". But their religious faith and their sense of unity remained strong.

There is no evidence at all that the Chinese really contemplate loosening their grip. As a spur to them, the Dalai Lama has made an impracticable demand for an inter-nationally supervised plebiscite on whether the Tibetans are "happy" under Chinese rule, while saying last month that he was satisfied this was not so.

What he appears wisely to be hoping for is that steady pressure by him, combined perhaps with the carrot of his eventual return ever dangling in the distance, may lead to some gradual improvement of conditions for his people. Greater knowledge in the West of those conditions, and appreciation by the Chinese that this knowledge dilutes our sympathy for China in this and in other fields, may help his efforts. Yours faithfully.

ALGERNON RUMBOLD. West Clandon, Surrey. April 8.

Ulster and the Union From Mr Brian Anson

Sir, With reference to your editorial of today (April 9), "Ulster and the

The "lengths of political continuity", which characterizes the loyalist philosophy in Ireland, is as nothing compared to the dogged

continuity of the Irish republican struggle for freedom from foreign struggle for freedom from foreign domination.

The "two entire generations" of loyalists to the British Crown since the: Treaty of 1922 cannot be seriously compared to the "future generations" concept which incessantly fuels Irish republicanism.

The "contemporary importance" the contemporary importance "

of loyalist resistance to republican claims for justice can hardly be described as "massive" when compared to the continuation—and increase of armed struggle not only in Ireland, but throughout the

world.

Rounded on coercion (Pirt) and consolidated by thuggish threats (Llpyd George), the Union was eloquently summed up by Gladstone in 1886:

"There is no blacker or fouler trans-action in the history of man. We used the whole civil government of Ireland as an engine of wholesale corruption. We obtained that Union against the sense of every class of the community, by wholesale bribery and unblushing intimidation."

That is the loyalist heritage and it can never hope to inspire the true continuity which your editorial indicates. It contains within it what might be called the "lan Smith syndrome "-a political philsophy that deliberately, and tragically, ignores the high ideals which motivate any oppressed people.

To doubt that the Union will rentually be abolished is to irresponsibly ignore the facts of life and the course of history. If that aboli-tion is achieved by force—as a just counteraction to the force which created and has sustained the Union-that is a tragedy, not a condemnation, of the republican struggle. Weapons have been used by both sides; the weapons are neutral, it is the ideals for which they are used that should concern us ali. As an Englishman, i despair that my country will ever learn to peacefully dismantle the transaction of the Union. Yours faithfully.

Surbiton,

April 9.

BRIAN ANSON. 16 Claremont Gordens.

Violent youth: the influences

these new developments. But they From Mr A. D. Mitchell are what we forecast those of us who are aware of the deeper Sir, From all the controversy surrounding the Bristol riot, the one element that appears to have been missing has been outright coneffects of the new cultural bar-barism. Our nihilistic culture has created a new mental sickness, not demnation of the rioters. From all least among the young, and especially the socially deprived young. Life has no meaning except immediate sensual satisfaction, and quarters we have heard about unemployment, poor housing and frustration, valid excuses certainly, but hardly unique either to Bristol or to young West Indians. One can hardly help but feel that had the risters been again of football the only possible stance is one based on bate: this has been the sinister message. (It is interesting to note that in Germany the "pornorioters been a group of football supporters, no such pleas of mitigation would have been actopia euphoria has now given way to deep cynicism and apathy.) cepted and the condemnation from both left and right would have been Yet during this period our intel-

immediate and thoroughgoing. lectuals have not only refused to accept that what happens to con-Could it be that the laudable desire of our leaders to create a multi-racial society has blinded them to the true nature of what sciousness is important (not least because they wanted to indulge in mental rage themselves); they have mental rage themselves): they have also opposed and suppressed debate, treating those who raised a warning voice like pariahs. Now we are reaping the whirlwind of the pseudo-revolution of the seventies, and the victims, as usual, are the was primarily a serious and violent breach of law and order. Yours faithfully, A. D. MITCHELL 49 Oueens Road. poor and weak: and those who have to keep order. The political implica-Warwickshire.

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April 8.

ons are extremely grave. Yours, &c. DAVID HOLBROOK, From Mr David Holbrook Sir, Over the last decade some of us have been warning about the effects on consciousness of a massive assault on human values. Through the powerful influences of film talanting the control of the control Longacre, Haverhill Road, Stapleford,

film, television, "pop" and other media people have been subjected to the idolization of violence and aggression, as solutions to the prob-lem of life. I recall a letter in The

Times about the possible influence

on youth of a certain film in which

the anti-hero represents an idoliza-

tion of violence, and an article of my own in which I warned of

Our intellectuals have indulged in their own cults of hate, from

full-page advertisements in The Times calling for soft drugs to be legalized, to fuvourable reviews of stage shows in which the most

fundamental of our values have been

subjected to insult and inversion. The roots of my own objections are in the thought of the effect some of the powerful media might be having, on the kind of disturbed child I have taught in the past. Yet to my dismay, intellectuals on the whole have denied that what happens to consciousness can have

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nappens to consciousness can have any deleterious effect in society— while they must be "free" to in-dulge in any debasement. Now, a new feature appears in our life—youthful riot. The whole of London's Underground system is

brought to a halt by an outburst of destructive rage. In a provincial city there is rioting and destruction

—an area, significantly, noted for its "red light" activities and its drug traffic. People are stunned by

imitation in this realm.

From Dr F. W. Stople Sir. Vociferous cries of "depriva-tion" as the root cause of the Bristol disorders are heard on all

Will the same voices be raised now about "Scarborough" and to what cause will the violence of the motor-cycle mobs be attributed— Yours faithfully, F. W. STOYLE, 10 Thornleigh Park, Bangor, Northern Ireland.

From Mr W. S. Holley Sir, We in the North-east recall with some bewilderment that one of the reasons given by (NMOS for not siting its first production unit in Washington was that a better cultural climate existed in the Bristol area. Yours faithfully, STEPHEN HOLLEY.

General Manager, Washington Development Corporation, Stephenson, District 12, Washington. Type and West.

Hostages in Iran

From the Master of Selwyn College,

Sir, In this country the word "student" has a civilized meaning, to describe someone struggling to diminish his or her ignorance. In Tehran some criminals have for several months kept a number of innocent people prisoner. You and the BBC keep referring to the captors as students. Are we to suppose that good hooks are much in use at the embassy in Tehran? Why do you corrupt so fair a word? Yours sincerely, OWEN CHADWICK, Selwyn College Lodge,

From Mr M: A. H. Katouzian

Sir, It is with great sadness, even despair, that we have received the news of the collapse of the long and delicate negotiations for the release of the American hostages into the custody of the Iranian government, custody of the Iranian government, and the consequent reaction of the American government to this unfortunate development. From the beginning of this episode we have sympathized with the sufferings of the hostages, whose only "crime" seems to be the fact that they are American citizens caught in a history arising and the constant of the constant of

bizarre political entanglement. But we have also emphasized that -in its practical aspects-the subject is extremely complex, and one that acquires a new twist and turn every day. At present the whole issue has become the most important single instrument for the internal political power struggle between the broadly democratic and

the undemocratic tendencies in Iran, regardless of apparent ideological divisions within each of them.

Therefore, we hope and pray that no international action will be taken which would strengthen the hands of the undemocratic forces in the country, who seem to seek and welcome a deterioration of this situation purely for their own internal, not external, purposes. Yours faithfully, HOMA KATOUZIAN, Secretary,

The Committee for the Defence and Promotion of Human Rights

in Iran. Rutherford College, University of Kent, Canterbury.

'Death of a Princess' From Lord Denman

Sir. Your description of Death of a Princess shown on ITV last night as drama documentary surely stretches a point too far. Drama, yes—Documentary, certainly no.

It is a sad reflection of this age that the more of two young people who defied the mores of their environment and paid such a terrible price for doing so, could be treated in such a trivial fashion. A true documentary on the problems now facing a resurging faith in Islam in our contemporary world is surely of great importance.

Is it asking too much of ITV to now redress the balance by devoting some, of their resources to a posi-tive appraisal of this fascinating and relevant subject? Yours sincerely, DENMAN, House of Lords. April 10.

Cheaper air fares From Mr A. J. Lucking

Sir, Mr Robert McCrindle, MP (March 24) is far too pessimistic about the prospects for lower European air fares. On these routes, even now fuel is only a small proportion of the total cost, probably about 15 per cent in the case of the shortest routes, such as London-Paris. For some airlines, "marketing " still costs more than fuel.

British Airways has started to attack the losses due to underpricing of first-class service. It is to be hoped it will renew its attempts to end the IATA arrangements which result in below-cost carriage of passengers making multi-sector flights. Often the true cost of carriage is nearer to Sir Freddie Laker's pro-posed point-to-point fares than the existing IATA charges, which are inflated to compensate for the losses incurred in carrying these "multipassengers, among other things.

Apart from supporting these efforts, the Civil Aviation Authority and the Department of Trade should act to end the cross-subsidy of the below-cost fares sold to tour opera-tors in competition with the charter airlines. On a route like London-Athens, the average receipt per passenger can be as low as 48 per cent of the normal economy fare, with some carried for less than 20 per cent of it.

Finally, there is scope in several European airlines for higher staff productivity, notably in the marketing and engineering functions. In the absence of nature's remedy, proper price competition, the regulatory authorities should refuse to sanction price increases, and hence stimulate the necessary managerial action in this hitherto featherbedded industry. Yours faithfully,

A. J. LUCKING, 20 Broad Court. Bow Street, WCZ. April 3.

country.

Money for music

From Mr Anthony Camden Sir, Mr Norman St John-Stevas, Minister for the Arts, has intimated during the last few days that be will be seeing the major banks and oil companies in the near future, in an t to persuade them to follow Gulf Oil's very creditable £250,000 sponsorship over seven years of the Scottish National Orchestra, which was announced this week.

The kind of collaboration between an oil company and the arts, I feel, has already been well demonstrated by Shell UK and the London Symphony Orchestra. We are now in our fourth year together, and the total eponsorship to the LSO is already

in excess of £250,000. This has enabled us to undertake a national tour with our Principal Conductor each year, and also, to organise the Shell/LSO Scholarship which has given young players of between 14 and 21 years the opportunity of playing in front of principal players of the LSO throughout the

So far, many hundreds of young musicians have benefited from this alliance which, I hope, will continue for many years to come Yours fairhfully. ANTHONY CAMDEN,

Chairman, The London Symphony Orchestra, 19-25 Argyll Street W1.

Deaths in the Italian Alps

From Mr Simon Mapsione and

athers Sir, On the morning of Friday April 6, six skiers, three of them British, died in Courmayeur, Italy. We would like to use your columns to give a short account of the death of one of them, who was our friend, more accurately than has so far been reported in the Italian or Brit-

been reported in the Italian or British press.

On that morning we were skiing
as a party of six on piste 19 in
Courmayeur. The piste was icy and
the sixth member of our party.
Richard Wood, became separated
from the group. When we discovered he was missing, the five of us
retraced our steps and decided he
must have fallen from the piste and
slid down an icy gully on its left.
Two of us, Stephen Bloch and Robert Manstone, then left the piste ert Mapstone, then left the piste and carefully descended in search of Richard Wood. While below the piste these two were struck by another skier falling out of control and all three then slid some disrance down the gully. Later in the afternoon the bodies of the falling skier and of Richard Wood were recovered from the base of the gully. Stephen Bloch is now unspecifically in Acres hearing Polymers. conscious in Aosta hospital, Robert Mapstone survived with minor in-

juries.

We think it worth emphasizing that we were skiing at all times on the piste until Richard Wood's accident occurred. At approximately the same time four other deaths occurred in separate incidents in the surrounding area. Some of these other skiers may have been off piste but it seems likely that they were unaware of the danger that they ran. Indeed there were then no barriers of any description and the number of warning signs in the area was extremely mall None was visible from piste

These facts are at considerable variance with the reports so far published in the press. We consider them, however, to be accurate and that consequently the authorities in Courmayeur must bear a considerable portion of the responsibility for the six deaths that occurred that day. We are, yours faithfully, SIMON MAPSTONE. ROBERT MAPSTONE, JOHN RILEY, NIGEL HUTTON. Flat 22, 55 Portland Place, W1. April 9.

'A Man Called Intrepid' From Mr Cuthbert Skilbeck

Sir, As I commanded the so-called Camp X in the film A Man Called Intrepid for some two years I found the wholly fictional handling most distasteful, if not ludicrous. I join Colonel Buckmaster (April

9) in deploring such a mixture of fiction with real history.

By all means let us have spy stories of fiction, but to traduce history so flagrantly and to use real names in a fictional story must he unaccaotable. Yours faithfully. CUTHBERT SKILBECK.

c/n Dyers Hall. 11-13 Dowgate Hill, EC4.

Cost of coronary care From the Director and Dean of Post-

graduate Studies, Welsh National School of Medicine Sir. The recent distribution of

£100,000 from government sources for heart transplants in order to save 10 lives, raises, once again, the lack of government support for other life saving procedures 'I refer to the provision of prehospital coronary care schemes described by Pautridge and Geddes in 1966 and used with great effect by them in Belfast, and by others in the United States.

It has been calculated that the cost per life saved is of the order of £250, so that £100,000 channelled hato this activity could lead to the saving of 400 lives. I am

Yours. Sincerely, D. H. MAKINSON, Director and Dean of Posteraduate Welsh National School of Medicine. University of Wales, Heath Park, Cardiff. April 2.

Attribution at Sotheby's From Mr Jeremy Maas

Sir, May I use your columns to enrrect an error printed in your news-paper? It is an error that needs correction in that it is unhappy in in its implications. It appeared in your report in today's issue (April 10) of the sale at Sotheby's, Belgravia, on April 9.

Writing of "The Railway Station , your correspondent states that I had reattributed it to Marcus Stone . . . on the day before the sale ". In fact, I delivered my opinion in writing and by hand to Sotheby's Belgravia, on March 25, 14 clear days before the sale. I did this with the deliberate intention of giving Sotheby's as much time as possible to consider my opinion. Yours faithfully, JEREMY MAAS,

J. S. Maas and Co Ltd, 15a Clifford Street, W1.

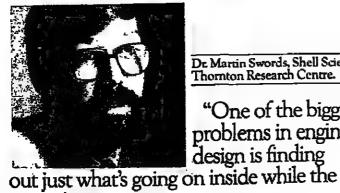
April 9.

From Mr J. T. A. Howard-Drake Sir, When Mr Hugh Morris (April 9) is discussing energy conservation with the design professions could he ask the locksmiths to revive the practice of putting flans over key-holes? I am doing all I can to insulate my house but the only way I can stop draughts whistling through my doors is by the incon-venient method of stuffing the locks with paper. Yours faithfully, 1. T. A. HOWARD DRAKE. 26 Simpels Field, Shipton-under-Wychwood, Oxfordshire,

April 10. Getting in a flap



How can we squeeze more miles out of your gallon? Shell's laser 'eye' reveals some secrets.



Dr. Martin Swords, Shell Scientist, Thornton Research Centre.

"One of the biggest problems in engine design is finding

engine's running.

Engineers have long known that the turbulence of the petrol mixture and gases swirling inside the cylinder has an important effect on performance - but the

difficulties of measuring the characteristics of a gas cloud which explodes about every 12 milliseconds, reaches 1500°C and is locked away inside thirty or forty pounds of metal, have proved insurmountable until now.

We are now able to drill holes in an engine cylinder, insert thick quartz windows and punch laser beams through the gas clouds as they mix and burn.

Using this technique we can work out the turbulence and the velocity of the gases.

Engineers and scientists can use this data to improve both the cylinder geometry and the chemistry of the fuels.

Since we estimate that this new information could help to bring about fuel economy improvements as great as twenty per cent, it is a development of some consequence.

If you think of the difference such a saving would mean to you, it's easy to see why we think this work is so important."



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And Miss E. M. J. Eigett.

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eldest daughter of The Bouglas
Blett, and the late Gatrielle Blyth. Mr
of Crownland Hall, Walsham to
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Mr D. J. Curtis and Miss R. E. Harris.
The engagement is syntaunced between David, sun of Br and Mrs F. J. Curtis, of Leigh. Regare, and Rosemary, daughter of Mrand Mrs L. S. Harris, of Blaxton, Donaster.

Dr. P. D. Dixon
and Miss S. M. Franklin
The engagement is announced
between Peter, younger son of Mr
and Mrs F. E. Dixon, of Rochester,
Kent, and Sarah, elder daughter
of Captain and Mrs J. E. Franklin,
Tarabam, Surrey,

Luncheon

The engagement is unnounced of Tim, fourth son of Mr and Mrs. H. G. Taylor, of Cricket St. Thomas, Somerset, and Natasha, only daughter of Mr D. K. Bernard and Mrs. C. Bernard, of London.

Bligh Sheriff of Greater London The Lord Chancellor, accompanied by the Hon Mary Hogg, was present at the Sheriff's breakfast given by the High Sheriff of Greater London and Mrs Anthony Prendergest at the Sagby Hotel yesterday. The Lord Lieutenant of Greater London and the Lord Mayor of Wasminster ariended. Among others present ware

Mayor of Westmittster attagged. Among others present ware? "Lord Edwyn-Jones, Mr Pager Arther, OC. MP, the Solicitor Consent, the Solicitor Law Solicitor Co. Mr Pager Kinthmonth, the High-Sheritt of West Soness. Judge West-Russell, OC. the President of the Law Society, the Control of the Privy Council Counci

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Mr. J. C. Pickering
and Miss G. L. Mepdebisson
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J. N. Mandelspoin, of Louison,
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Mr. N. S. Sykes Thompson and Mrs. E. M. Alpe The entargement is announced be tween Nigel Sten, only son of Mr and Mrs. D. Sykes Thompson, of Manhar, Stonepare, Wadhurez, Sw. sex. and Elizabeth Mary, only daughter of Mr and Mrs. S. P. Alpe, of Glen Eden, Anckland, New Zemand.

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and bliss M. H. MoSissisis.
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Makers of Flaving Cards Company Tile Makers of Go Makers of Plaving Cards Company Mir. I. K. Black, presided at a court dinner held at Apothecaries Hall vesterday. The Master. Alderman R. C. L. Chayvet, Mr. J. H. S. Ucten and the Sanfor Wather, were the speakers. The Masters of Loudon and the Hariferer's Company were unough these present.

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Heary Moore, OM, CH, laying the foundationstone of an extension to the Leeds City Art Gallery yesterday that will house his works,

English works dominate Scottish paintings sale

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ings which made 190,123, with only 2 per cent failing to find buyers. A private bidder from the North of England paid £13,000 for a highly finished painting of locial cierics in an eighteenth-century setting by Andrea Landini, and £7,000 for a work in a similar mood, "St Valentine's Day", by Pierre Outin.

Pierre Outin.

In Exeter Phillips and Husseys held a sale of silver and jewels, the first since the local farm will taken over by the London one. A het pin set with five diamonds and a large, pear-supped emerald made £2,750, to the delight of the owner, who had shought the stoom were paste. A pair of George II seute board by Romer of George II seute board by Romer of Garrerd of London, 1827, what to a London dealey at £2,000. The sale made a total of £35,466, with

to a sale of furniture at Christie's which produced a total of £61,623, with 18 per task musted a dealer from Belgium paid £2,800 for an agustement century oak dresser (estimate £1,200 to £1,500).

25 years ago

Prom The Times summary of the newspaper, strike period for Inch-de, April 12, 1988 Soviet tardat

Moscow April 11. The Louding of Ministers of the Soviet Ution was perposed to the polasidism of the Soviet the designing the Soviet the designing the Soviet the designing the Soviet the designing to the 1942 threat, with France. An announcement to this, effect made at a press conference at the Foreign Ministry on Saturday said that the Faria agreements provided for the remilitarization of western Germany and its involvement in military groupings directed against the Soviet Umon. Approval of these agreements was a direct violation of the Irlendship treaties with Russia under which the parties bad pledged themselves to take joint measures to prevent the possibility of new German aggression, not to conclude any alliances and not to take part in any conlitions directed against one of the contracting parties. Moscow radio on Saturday broadcast the text of a note on an Austrian treaty handed by Mr. broadcast the text of a note on an Austrian treaty handed by Me Molorov to Sir William Hayter, the British ambassador. Similar the British ambassador. Similar statements were made to the American ambassador and the French chargé d'affaires. The nota claimed that the Soviet Government at the Berliu conference of Foreign Ministers of the four powers at the beginning of 1954 made a suggestion to sertie the Austrian question but for reasons outside the Soviet sphere of responsibility the question remained unsettied.

Archaeology report

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costins and one of stone, and in its south-west corner two small rectanguals stone manufacture, and in the south-west corner two small rectanguals stone manufacture, one of which had evidence of figured wall pointings and contastned two lead coffins, one aid bearing the letters IN DNE, a contraction for the Latin "In thy mone, O Lord", a clear indication of the decessed a Christian beliefs.

By the mid-fourth century the cemetery had expanded both uphili and downfail over the farm buildings, with most of the burishs being in simple graves but some having lead shoot coffins. The inhill extension was characterized also by rectangular manufactures containing stone coffins for higher status burishs, and one of those buildings was decorated with morals of elmost lifesize male figures, parhaps the family of the decessed.

On the floor was found a coin of Poundbury Hill, on the size of Dorchester, Dor-ron Age hill fort of the centuries BC was known iere, and the recent work forts taken by Vespasian Campaign of AD 44-45, by Suesonius. ple evicted from the bill 1 to have established a

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The final stage of use of the cemetry consists of re-me of the central area, with shallow burials successful confine or laid in clsts of stone tiles; the number and character of the busials suggests a declaining use of the Poundbury cemetry in the issue fourth and early fifth centuries.

The excevator, Mr Christopher

One of the lead-lined coffins found woman, her hair still preserve on a bed or wreath of leaves, while another burial, at the end of a path running through the cametary, was in a wooden confin fitted with an iron mount which may be a Christian monogram or symbol.

Are Green said: "The scale and

The exceptor, Mr Christopher J. S. Green (who did the work on behalf of the Dorchester Exception Committee with funds from the Department of the Environment, the Manpower Services Sofia mission, and material help from the industrial firms occupying the new trading estate, including the lundowners, Wyvern Mariborough and the Southern Electricity Board), estimates that a sample of between 25 and 40 per cent of the graves has been excepted.

Of those, 77 per cent were

graves has been excavated.

Of those, 77 per cent were extended inhumations with the head to the west (the standard Christian mode of burial), lacking grave goods but surrounded by mails from wooden coffins, presumably made in the adjacent farm buildings, converted to an undertaker's workshop. The remaining graves included 4 per cent with a few grave goods, 6 per cent lacking natied coffins and a further 6 per cent which were high status burials in stone or lead-lined coffins, or wooden coffins fitted with iron brackets; the body was often packed in gypsum plaster.

Mr Green said : " The scale and

The Light thisnery (stephol) read, the lesson and Colone wild out the lesson and Colone wild out the lesson and the lesson and the lesson and l

Mr Green said: "The scale and orderly layout of the cemetery implies a correspondingly large and well organized Christian community in Roman Dorchester, at a time when it was previously thought that pagan cuts dominated the religious life of the province. The cemetery also serves as a sample 'Cengle,' of Dorchester's earliest clishes, and should line trate 'tile heiffo, social stretches and way of life of a late Roman urban population."

Analysis of the bone from burials, by Dr H. A. Waldron of the London Institute of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, has shown lead levels twice and three times those of today, high enough to

lead levels twice and three times those of today, high enough to have affected both children's bealth and adult fertility. Arthritis was common and mortality among young women in particular high, but a large number of the Christian population survived into their 40s and 50s. The homogeneous character of the population suggests, Mr Green says, a closely knit local society with little imprigration: as elsesays, a closely knit local society with little immigration: as else-

where, Roman Scinita.
peopled by the British.
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Mr J. S. H. Stawart for the appellant Merrick; Mr R. M. Harrison for the applicants Holmes and Thornton; Mr Sydney Levine for the applicant Wood; Mr M. T. Cracknell for the Crown. LORD JUSTICE ORMROD and LORD JUSTICE ORMROD said that the particulars of the offence were that the appellant and the three applicants "on divers days between November 1, 1975 and November 17, 1977, conspired together that Francis Paul Merrick and Maurice Wood should steal cigarettes, tobacco and other goods from unattended delivery vehicles in the counties of West and South Yorkshire". That was a common law conspiracy because

ever, they were in force:

The case for the prosecution was that Wood and Merrick had evolved a scheme which consisted of selecting a delivery van, following it in a car until it stopped to deliver some of its load, waiting until the driver had left the van with the back open or unlocked, and then quickly spatching a package or packages from the van and driving off. For that purpose they used various cars, some with false number plates, and a rented garage to store goods pending their disposal. Holmes was alleged to be the receiver who disposed of the stolen goods, and Mrs Thornton was alleged to have helped in minor ways. The case for the prosecution was supported by a great deal of police evidence.

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trial and were cross-examined. At
the end of the evidence and before speeches counsel for Merrick
took the view that the prosecution's case against Wood was
much stronger than that against
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direction should not be given.

Basing his submissions on the effect of section 5(8) and (9), he argued that the jury should be fold that they could, if they thought fit, acquit Metrick and still convict Wood of conspiring with Métrick to steal from delivery vans. The judge took the view that the subsections did not apply in the present case which had surved before they came into effect, and directed the jury that they should either convict both Metrick and Wood or acquit them In their Lordships' judgment In their Lordships' judgment the effect of subsections (8) and (3) was to complete the process begun by the House of Lords in DDP v Shannon of abandoning the well-established doctrina of

(8) preserved the power of the court to quash a conviction if "under all the circumstances of the case [it] was inconsistent with the acquittal of the other person". It must follow that if there was a serious risk of inconsistent verdicts, the trial judge had a discretion to direct the jury, if he thought fit to convict both or thought lit, to convict both or acquit both.

The result was that the judge's The result was that the Judge's ruling that section 5(8) and (9) did not apply because they were not in force when the proceedings began was wrong, but the question remained whether his decision to direct the jury that they must either convict both or acquit them both was correct "under all the circumstances of the case". It was not a two-man conspiracy of the Shannon type, so that under

equally admissible and cogent against each of the two men. Their Lordships thought that the evidence admissible against Merrick, if accepted by the jury, was enough to justify his conviction on the count charged. Throughout the summing-up the judge repeatedly emphasized that various statements to the police by Wood were not evidence against Merrick or the others, and he specifically directed the jury that if they were in any doubt about if they were in any doubt about the case against either nian both should be acquitted. That was enough to ensure that Merrick was not "pulled down" by the evidence of Wood's admissions. The judge was entitled to take the course be did. Merrick's appeal against conviction would, accordingly, be dismissed.

Solicitors: Registrar of Crimital Appeals; Mr M. D. Shaffner, Wattefield.

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a track, of friendship, courage, kindness, laughter, The Sands will not erase hereafter ".

Mr James Lees Cooper, for-mer editor in chief and pub-lisher of The Toronto Globe and Mail, dled in Florida on April 2 at the age of 73. Born in Darwen, Lancashire He worked for several British newspapers before emigrating to Canada. He was a corres-pondent for the Daily Express during the Second World War,

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decline of £133m in bank loans to private sector

By Roman Eisenstein

Banking Correspondent The new set of banking figures for the four weeks to March 19 is encouraging for the Government. There are signs, yet to be confirmed, that the rate of bank lending is slowing down, and that money supply may be coming under control.

control.

The lending figures of the London clearing banks show that, on a seasonally unadjusted basis, advances to companies and individuals are down by £133m. The adjusted figures for the whole banking sector are still likely to show an increase, but it should be less than the £574m rise which took place in February. A further qualification is that there may have tion is that there may have been some switch of borrowings from banks to the money markets, and there was also a \$218m increase in acceptances.

The fall in lending was spread through most sectors, the only exception being retail-ing which showed a sharp increase in borrowings. This suggests that high interest rates and the poor economic outlook

companies have been running down their stocks. Retailers, on the other hand, seem to have been left with unwanted stocks which they are unable to sell. This was the first month for

This was the first month for the Government's new mone-tary targer announced in the Budget. The period is to run until April 1981, and the target is a 7 to 11 per cent growth of M3, the broad-based measure for money. The M3 growth to March 19 was around 0.5 per cent, and on that basis the Government may be an course. Government may be on course to achieve its objective. There are, however, some complica-

The corset restrictions on bank lending come off in June, and banks which avoided them by advancing money through acceptances may now switch back to overdraft facilities. This could add up to 2 per cent to money supply.

On the other hand, there will be some reduction of M3 because of the seasonal surrender of certificates of tax deposits.
The figures for the banking

of interest-bearing eligible habilities allowed by the corset by £1,100m, and have incurred penalties. They lodged £132m of interest-free deposits with the Bank of England.

Banks have been under con-tinued pressure on their lend-ing resources. The reserve asset ing resources. The reserve asset ratio for the system as a whole is down from 13.2 to 13.1 per cent and for the London clearers it is down from 12.8 to 12.7 per cent, very close to the limit of 12.5 per cent.

The fact that banks have still referenced from raising their in-

refrained from raising their in-terest rates is possibly a re-sponse to recent criticisms of their high profits, which could be a reason why some have been prepared to incur the penbeen prepared to incur the pen-alities of the corset regulations. Overall eligible liabilities are down by 0.2 per cent to £52,773m. Interest bearing lia-bilities are also down by £292m to £35,614m. But these figures are unadjusted, and the auth-orities do not expect the de-crease to be matched by a fall in money supply.

Underwriters sell remaining 29 pc of United Biscuits rights issue

By Philip Robinson
The £34m rights issue launched by United Biscuits last month, fell short of expectations yesterday as Morgan Grenfell, their financial advisers, announced that only 71 per cept of the 51 million shares offered had been taken up.

million shares offered had been taken up.

The rest, around 14.5 million shares worth just over £10.5m could have been left with the underwriters but for some "intense" salesmanship by joint sub-underwriters Rowe Pitman and Wood McKenzie, the stockbroking: firm, which sold them to financial institutions in around half an hour yesterdsy morning.

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credit move

The turnaround on the foreign exchange markets with the dollar losing some of its recent gains against the Deutsche mark and other tradi-

shortage that is being alleviated only by stop-gap measures on the part of the federal bank, the council apparently decided to wait and see how events develop until it meets again next Thursday.

Foreign exchange markets had a mixed and uneven day yesterday, with the dollar staging a brief recovery before falling back in thin, late trading. It ended the day slightly lower against most currencies, includ-

against most currencies, including sterling, which gained 92 points to close at \$2.1872. The

pound's effective exchange rate rose by 0.3 percentage points to 72.4 per cent of its 1971 level.

Trading was reasonably brisk around the middle of the day

but fell away in nervous trading in the lete afternoon. The price of gold closed \$20 down at \$527.50 an ounce. Dealers noted

20p to 485p 10p to 230p 9p to 139p 8p to 85p 4p to 52p

postponed

Brussels, April 10

to take up all his rights, said last night: "About 15 per cent of our stock is with the family and there was a question of laying hands on cash. Every penny I have is tied up in the business.

business.

"I am not disappointed with the result of the rights issue. Our record shows that we have grown by around 13 per cent in real terms every year and if we are to continue this we must invest.

"Our entries into fast and frozen food might cause a pause in that growth, but the investments we are making now will benefit us in the second half of 1980," Sir Hector said. It is reckoned in the City that Sir Hector's cash problems were

yesterday morning.

The 40 or so salesmen of the two stockbroking firms had been talking with the institutions since the issue was launched on March 13, but had stepped up their sales effort around Easter.

Sir Hector Luing, chairman of United Biscuits, who failed

to some food analysts, have been flat since 1977. United Biscuits had also to sell the rights issue against a falling market. When it was launched its shares were 87p and at that price it represented g 22 per cent discount on the 68p offer price.

But the shares fell 7p on the news and soon came down to within a whisker of the issue price. The residue was sold at a 1p premium to the price.

United's rights was the first big issue this year, and its third in the past five years, raising a shade under £100m. At the time it was thought it would be the first of many cash calls from companies to allere calls from companies to alleviate pressure on liquidity coused by falling cash flows and high interest rates.

But United Riscuits has so far stood alone. Apart from a few small rights issues, mainly from the oil sector, no others have come forward.

and produced its own counter-proposals for reform,

This only served to demon-strate again the lack of agree-ment among professional engineers about the Finniston money supply,

Such an authority was likely

to cost substentially more than £10m a year to run and the council's proposals offered a much cheaper alternative. The Finniston plan for a three-tier status structure, and the scrapping of the chartered engineer title which the council would like to keep, would only cause

Mr Percy Allaway, the council's new chairman, said there was agreement with the Finniston analysis of the ills of manufacturing industry. But be added: Many of Finniston's proposed remedies are irrele-vant to the real problems and could make matters worse rather than better." council's counter-pro-

reform but prefer evolution of the present system of control



the profession with more democracy. The council in its present form would be phased out in favour of a strengthened registration board and a new body, to be known as a society, as the profession's voice.

industry is also suggested. response to the report even though its governing council, half of whose members are nominated by the member institutions, has approved the council.

single commissioner, to act as Mr George Hislop, the renran engine of change for both ing chairman of the council,

Government encouraged by Carter threat to cut Mobil contracts

Weshington, April 10
Senior White House officials are considering formal sanctions against the Mobil Corporation for alleged violations of the administration's voluntary price guidelines. Mobil has said it believes such sanctions would be part of a political attack on the company by President Carter.

dent Carter.

The White House is considering denying government contracts totalling more than \$5m to Mobil, which at the moment has about \$145m defence department contracts on its books.

Mobil's alleged violations, important as these are.

Election year politics is involved, and there is the question of the ability of the White prices above the guidelines.

House about the alleged \$45m overcharge.

It appears that in one quarter of 1979, Mobil did set above above above above above the guidelines.

House to impose sanctions to support its wage and price guidelines.

President Carter said in a speech on March 26 that Mobil had violated the price guidelines by about \$45m. Then Mr Jody Powell, for the administration, stated that Mobil refused to cru period by three to cut petrol prices by three cents per gallon to "repay" overcharging to customers in

under the guidelines, even though in other quarters it set prices below the guideline ceilings.

Mobil argues that for the

years as a whole it followed the guidelines, complaining that the White House never sug-gested compliance would be determined on a quarterly Mr William Tavoulareas,

to Mobil, which at the moment has about £145m defence department contracts on its books. The issues raised reach beyond the technical aspects of it been informed by the White

House about the alleged \$45m the rules and impose a qua-overcharge. terly compliance standard terly compliance standard. Mobil claimed the council said "they would ignore the fact that we are in compliance for the full year . . and

for the full year . . and charged us with being over the guidelines in the last quarter." Mobil has no doubts about why it has been singled out for such treatment. In an advertisement in The New York Times, the company suggests that the attack "may represent a continuation of political maneouvering at the expense of our company and our company company and our company alone, because of our policy of speaking out on energy issues, sometimes at variance

Engineering council rejects Finniston report

By Derek Harris
The Council of Engineering
Institutions, most of whose
functions would be transferred to a new statutory engineering authority if the Government accepts the proposals of the Finniston report on engineering, yesterday criticized the report

The suggested engineering authority was described by the council as a "revolutionary leap in the dark", raising questions about so much power being entrusted to a govern-ment-created and funded body which would be open to the "shifting winds of political

Mr George Hislop, left, the retiring chairman of the CEL,

with Mr Percy Allaway the new chairman, in London

the profession and the whole A small agency, or possibly a

told Sir Keith Joseph, Secretary of State for Industry, in a letter accompanying the council's proposals that there had been little time even for consultation, "Inevitably you will receive many separate responses from the engineering profession reflecting many shades of opinion. I hope you will not conclude from this that will not conclude from this that the profession is in disarray",

he said.

There was in fact much common ground among the institutions, notably that the profession should remain selfregulating.

The latest manifestation of the institutions' search for an acceptable formula was last week's submission by the presidents of the four senior institutions—covering the discip-lines of civil, mechanical, electrical and chemical engineering
—which supported the idea of
a single new authority responsible to the Privy Council.

The council suggests that the Engineers Registration Board, at present part of the council should be developed as the Engineers Registration Council which would be the sole body for regulating the profession and for registration of engineers including those not belonging to an institution.

But crucially the institutions council envisages the new organization with a governing body which would be "widely representative" on the pattern of the General Medical Council half of whose soverning body half of whose governing body is freely elected. Whether such a system could be agreed for engineering is in question. Business Diary, page 21

have caused

Energy Correspondent

A dragging ship's anchor almost certainly caused a pipe-line leak which has stopped production from the British National Oil Corporation's Thistle field, one of the largest oil discoveries in the North Sea. A minisubmarine discovered

the source of the leak around 500 yards from the Shell/Esso Dunlin platform; to which the pipeline is linked enroute to the mainland. All platforms have a 500-yard

All platforms have a 500-yard safety some around them, which general merchant shipping is forbidden to enter. The speculation must be that the rip in the pipe was caused by a supply or safety vessel visiting the Dunlin platform.

Pollution from this accident has been minimal, but the nature of the leak is bound to raise new questions of environ-mental safety procedures in the

North Sea.

The rip will take some time to repair. As yet, BNOC campot say how long, but it has already put into effect plans to load Thistle oil into tankers. This system, used before the pipeline was ready, dealt with our put levels close to the 120,000 barrels a day being produced hefore the weekend shutdown.

The first of two tankers

oil from the single arm loading mooring system next week.

Anchor may | Algerian brake on gas | Eaton plans deliveries to France

From Charles Hargrove Paris, April 10

Algeria has suspended de liveries of natural gas to France so far this month. The Algerian National Oil Company, Sonetrach, said that this suspension was due to "tem-porary technical difficulties".

Deliveries of Algerian gas were substantially reduced at the beginning of March, and from the middle of March, no liquefied gas tanker from Algeria had docked at a French port.

France imports 4.5 billion cubic metres of natural gas from Algeria, or 12.5 per cent of French requirements. The suspension of Algerian deliver-ies has aiready caused some difiouities. Gaz de France has had to stop supplies to companies which had subscribed to "suspendable contracts"—contracts which, in return for chesper rates, could be suspended when the gas board decided accord-

sharpy. But somie solution will have to be found before the end of the summer if France is not to go short of gas.

The technical reasons invoked by the sonatrach do not alto-gether carry conviction here. Some experts state that there have been problems at liquefac-tion plants.

Bur economic arguments may also play a part in shutting off supplies at a time when Gaz de France is involved in negotia-tions with Sonatrach on revised tariffs. Negotiations with the American company El Paso have been suspended, and supplies to it

interrupted since April 1. In both cases, Sonatrach has been demanding a realignment of gas prices.

The Algerians have climbed down from their original demands, and now insist on \$5 per million btu. But that is subwhich, in return for cheaper rates, could be suspended when the gas board decided accordingly.

Private consumers will not be affected because the winter is an Algerian ports.

investment By Clifford Webb

Midlands Industrial Correspondent

The American-owned Eaton Corporation has ended months of speculation about the future of its fire-damaged Manchester commercial vehicle gearbox plant with an announcement that it is to invest £18.5m in the United Kingdom,

The Mauchester plant was almost totally destroyed by fire in September, 1979. Overnight Eaton, the market leader in Europe, lost 40 per cent of its transmissions manufacturing

Mr John S. Rodewig, Eaton's European vice president in charge of truck components, told a press conference at his headquarters in Hounslow, Middlesex yesterday, that the decision to rebuild rather than relocate was partly because of the company's faith that the United Kingdom would con-tinue to be a competitive loca-tion and partly to long-standing good relations with the Man-chester labour force.

Home is where T1-99/4 will sort out your problems

A computer for fireside chats

"Hello, I am the Texas In-struments home computer", said the Texas Instruments home computer at its press con-ference in Fleet Street, London, yesterday. "You can learn with me and I can help you with most of your problems. You can write on the screen in colour and we can play some games together The speech was stilted, just like the computers that answer

back on television programmes such as Wonder Woman and Blake's Seven. But the effect was considerable—not so much for the speech as for the colour animation and the electronic fanfares and music-half flourishes with which the home

microcomputer exhibition af Wembley, but let us not quibble. Let us instead consider

technological wonders of the Texas Instruments TI-99/4 home computer, which will cost you about £990 plus plug-in programs to make it work. For this you get a neat keyboard and a 14-inch colour television monitor (which can be used as a relevision receiver should you tire of having problems solved, writing on the screen in colour and playing games together).

The speech unit is an optional extra which will cost another flourishes with which the home gram modules that fit neatly computer's serious educational into one side of the keyboard, and which guide you through your problem-solving etc, range brought us the world's first integrated circuit, we now were presented with what was described as the world's first talking computer for the home. I £95. And the cassette-like proing computer for the home. I Tr's European consumer divi-am sure I recall hearing a com-puter for the home talking to had indicated three primary all who passed by at a recent areas of interest in the United

learning fun", "Beginning grammar" and "Number magic"; video games and video chess; and personal record keeping and statistics.

The first module to use speech, "Early reading", will be available som (it was demonstrated in prototype form yesterdsy). In the meantime, the computer will talk to youbut only if you programme it to do so. Texas has deliberately chosen a relatively powerful microcomputer which can be programmed by the skilled user, as well as enjoyed via the modules by the very young or non-skilled user.

As the press conference ended the computer said: "Help! Is anyone out there? I am inside this computer". This, Mr Lunch explained, was

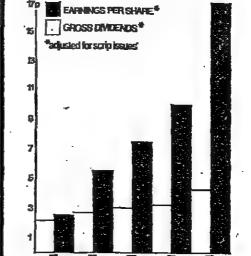
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Profits increased to £1.156m Dividend for year increased by 36.5%

The activities of your Group were disrupted during the year by the road haulage nd other disputes within the engineering and motor industries. In the circumstances I consider the results were satisfactory. 99

Edward Rose - Chairman



I have pleasure in reporting a record profit of £1,156,646 for the full year ended 31 Dec. 1979 (1978-£1,074,328). The finances of the Group are sound and an increase in the ordinary share total dividend to 3p per share for the year is proposed, an increase of approximately 36.5% related to the previous year after adjustment for the scrip

The current financial period has started well with profits to date ahead of the corresponding period last year. The enlargement of the Group by the acquisition of Farnier & Penin in France should enable it to take full advantage of potential growth and I have every confidence that we will continue to expand our



The principal activities of the Barro Group are the manufacture of framed windows, rolled sections, pressings, motor car body components, off highway vehicle components, the continuous plating of metal in coil form and electro plating applications, for the sea, air, road, rail, domestic appliance and building industries. Subsidiary Companies: William Bate · Plated Strip (International) · Pertectinits · Edward Rose (Birmingham)

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'Tied' car imports take Thistle leak 25 pc of UK market methods now in evidence". Sales in the three months totalled 502,719, a rise of 5.5

Almost one in every four new cars sold in the United Kingdom in the first three months of the year was imported from the European factories of the traditional big four British manufacturers—Ford, BL, Vauxhall and Talbot.

Deutsche mark and other traditionally hard currencies, is
thought to have reduced the
pressure on the central council
of the West German Federal
Bank—the bank's top decisionmaking body—to take any
action in the credit policy field
at its specially called meeting
in Frankfurt today.

Although German banking is
having to cope with a liquidity
shortage that is being alleviated
only by stop-gap measures on A year ago, these so-called "tied" imports accounted for 17.45 per cent of the total market but latest figures from the Society of Motor Manufac-turers and Traders show the share to have risen to 23.82 per

Ford's sales in the three months of cars from its West German, Belgian, Irish and Spanish plants totalled 86,844 and alone accounted for 17-3 per cent of the market against 12.5

per cent a year earlier. Many other foreign manufac-turers have seen their United Kingdom market share decline in recent mouths including BMW, Datsun, Piat and Saab, but the big increase in "tied" imports has boosted total import penetration for the first quarter to more than 57 per cent against 54 per cent a year

Sales have been boosted by widespread discounting, includ-ing BL's Best of British cam-palgo, but Ford stressed that its record first quarter market

share of 32.4 per cent was achieved "without resorting to

cent.
The high level of "tied" imports, however, is having a depressing effect on car output in the United Kingdom. Department of Industry figures published yesterday show that first quarter production of 297,000 cars was 8.5 per cent lower than a year earlier.

BL's three-month share of

per cent on a year earlier, and in March alone were a record 197,722, an increase of 6 per

sales was just under 19 per cent at 95,226, but in March the effects of the selective discounting lifted the penetration to a more respectable 23.74 per to a more respectable 23.74 per cent.

Mr Tony Ball, managing director of BL European and Overseas Operations, said yesterday: "What we have done publicly is only what is going on in every other car company, British and foreign. We are still making money. We expected some flak when our results started to pick up, and we can take it."

Ford, however, continues to

Ford, however, continues to

top the sales league, having broken its own records every month this year. First quarter sales of 162,831 gave the company 32.39 per cent of the market against 26.63 per cent

The first of two tankers which BNOC has on charter ready to return to Thistle at short motice will arrive to tale

EEC rules on Italian textiles ban

The European Community Commission said in Brussels yesterday that a Milan court's decision to block cheap synthetic fibre imports from the United States was illegal.

"It is a clear and manifest breach of community law", a spokesman said, adding that the Italian government had indi-cated it would take the appropriate steps to have the ruling

The court last week ordered a temporary injunction against imports of allegedly unfairly priced acrylic fibres shipped by American Cyanamid, and of polyester by the Carter Moore corporation. It said it would har the products until the two companies raised their prices to make up for the supposed advantage they enjoy from advantage they enjoy cheaper feedstocks.

Toyota boosts car parts Toyota Motor Company will almost double the value of its car part imports this year to 17,000m year (\$30.09m) from 9,000m last year, mainly from the United States and Britain.

Oil products prices fall Consumer prices for the main

oroducts sold in the Euro-Community weakened in the week ending 31 to their lowest levels mid-December, the latest ummission

Ford buys in China

Ford Motor Company is buying parts in China for the first time to use in its European tractor plants. It has agreed to buy \$2m of axle shafts-levers drawbars-chain assemblies and manifold covers from the China National Machinery Import and Export Corporation.

Japan discount rate

Mr Minoru Nagaoka, Japan's vice minister of finance, ruled a further increase in the Bank of Japan's official dis-count rate from the record-equalling 9 per cent set last

Nuclear production up

tive, finance, BOC International, has become finance director of BOC the company responsible for the operations of the BOC international group in the United Kingdom and continental Europe.

Mr Christopher J. Haies, managing director of Coral Index, has been made an associate director of the parent company. Nuclear power plants genernuclear power plants generated almost 11 per cent of the electricity produced in the EEC law year compared with about per cent in 1978. Belgium Ain led the EEC nuclear iergy league.

Australian coal deal

A group of Japanese electric power companies and a trading sousewares in adminor to his pre-sent position as managing director of Ti Russell Hobbs.

Mr Marco Kapp has become director of systems research for House Names house have reached a basic agreement with an Australian non-ferrous metal company on joint development of coal mines in Australia.

Government embarks on programme to shore up sagging economy

Another tough package for the Danes

minister, and his six-month-old Social Democratic minority government, have embarked on negotiations with five right and centre parties, headed by the Conservatives and Liberals, to secure a parliamentary majority for a new economic

The package, to shore up Denmark's sagging economy, was announced on Tuesday, and includes increases in taxation next year of 5,000m kroner (£384m) and public expenditure cuts of 8,000m kroner. If passed, the measures would mean a If passed, the measures would mean 5 per cent fall in real wages this year, offset by a reduction in the country's balance of payments deficit of 15,500m kroner in 1979, and this year's projected deficit of 16,300m kroner reduced to around 7,000m kroner by 1984.

An indication of the gravity of the Danish economic situation can be gleaned from a recent report by the government's economic secretariat, which predicted that the country's foreign debt would rise to 90,000m kroner in 1981, 24 per cent of the gross national product. Unemployment leap from 6 per cent to 8 per cent, and inflation, now running at 9.5 per cent, will increase to 11.5 per cent.

A central element of the package is a new scheme to funnel capital from pension

funds and insurance companies (about (about £4,000m kroner a year over the next five years), into Danish industry. The increases in taxation will hit property and car owners and, if passed, a new state property tax will be instituted temporarily, electricity will go up by 12 per cent, and there will be steep rises in the price of

heating, fuel and diesel oils. The proposed increase in petrol prices would raise the cost of a litre up to 1.92 krone, a 4 per cent rise on the present price. To compound the motorist's woe, a 25 per cent increase in the weight tax on cars is also proposed, while the tourist, seeking solace in warmer and less-expensive climes will be hit by a tax of 180 kroner a head on charter holidays.

The public expenditure cuts are designed to reduce the annual growth in public spending from a projected 4 per cent to about 1 per cent, within the next three years or so. This will in effect save 13,000m krouer in that period.

The severity of the cuts should be viewed against the fact that 1.7 million Danes or one in three of the population, is either passively employed in the public sector, or receiving an income from the government in the form of a pension or unemployment benefit. Only 800,000 are

actively employed in manufacturing,

agriculture and fisheries. The new economic proposals follow a 5 per cent devaluation of the krone last autumn, and a programme passed last Christmas limiting pay increases and freezing prices until 1981.

The latest package, mcknamed "Mr Joergensen's Easter egg", has been met largely with scepticism. Mr Thomas Nielson, the powerful leader of the Danish trade union federation, summed up the feeling of many when he criticized it for putting too much emphasis on public spending cuts and too little on increasing production.

The leaders of the five centre right parties, whose support Mr Joergensen needs to get the package through parliament, have also expressed grave doubts as to the "digestibility" of the Social Democrats' belated Easter egg.

One thing is, however, certain. The package will have to undergo radical changes, if it is to have any chance of being accepted. The coming weeks will see hectic political manoeuvres, with yet another probably inconclusive general election likely for ballot-weary Denmark

Christopher Follett

Minister calls for end to state dependence

By Derek Harris Dependence on the state by industry, institutions and indivi-duals had to be ended, Mr Cecil Parkinson, Minister for Trade, told a European management forum in London yesterday. Limited help to companies was legitimate only in excep-tional circumstances and if the

aid was temporary.
More United Kingdom companies had gradually increased their dependence on govern-ment aid rather than profit-ability for survival, Mr Parkinson said. Such dependence had slowed change and resulted in Britain losing ground to all its big industrial competitors, he

Mr Parkinson said: "State aid or protectionist measures work rather like a drug—once introduced into the industrial

hloodstream they can quickly create dependence while dulling enterprise and competitiveness." Could the habit be kicked, he asked. "We have to create a revolution in attitudes and assumptions about inflation, **Business appointments**

Mr Richard Stein, chief execu-tive, finance, BOC International,

of the parent company, Coral Leisure Group. Mr David Durham has been ap-pointed chairman of TI Tower Houseweres in addition to his pre-

about realistic wage levels. about the growth of public spending and, most crucial of all, about the role of the state in our society.

"We have got to change the instinctive reflex in this country from 'What is the Government going to do about it? What can I do about it?'."

It had been suggested that Britain had to retreat into a siege economy behind protectionist barriers, yet the volume of British exports had increased by more than a quarter in the last four years, Mr Parkinson

" This Government has no intention of giving in to the cur-rent protectionist clamour or to the search for scapegoats for our relative economic decline whether these be the European Community, Japan, or imports from the newly industrializing

"All these are no more than an increasingly desperate truth that the real reasons for our problems lie not in others but ourselves.

marketing director of Rumbelows,

Viscount Allendale has been ap-pointed chairman of the High Gos-

forth Park Company in succession to Lieut-Colonel R. I. G. Taylor who has resigned.

who has resigned.

Mrs Penny Phillips has joined the board of Westward TV.

Mr J. A. Hermon has retired from all executive responsibilities with Initial Services, although remaining a non-executive director, and his place as group comptroller is now filled by Mr J. A. Guiffins.

Mr T. Baron has been reelected as a director of Christian Salvesen

and chairman and managing direc-

BOC names its new financial director

Griffiths.

Hopes of 'fresh start' for London docks

The Port of London Authority (PLA) could be heading for a significant step forward on productivity and surplus manpower as the Price Waterhouse report to Mr Norman Fowler, transport minister, was published yesterday.

With about one tenth of the port's workforce (800 out of 8,000) still surplus to requirements, the men are taking voluntary severance "thick and fast", the PLA said last night. Redundancy money of up to £8,500 a man is being paid with help from the Government's special £35m fund.

At a meeting on Wednesday. dockers overturned their earlier decision to black the movement of cargo out of the India and Millwall docks which the PLA announced last month it had finally decided to close.

"Now we have had to close the India and Millwall because of industrial action and lack of productivity progress, there could be a good chance of mak-

special bousing adviser to the Secretary of State for the Environ-

Mr Geoffrey S. A. Hunt and Mr Rosald J. Cox have Joined the board of Executive Projects. Mr Peter Carmichael has been

made director and general man-ager of Britax (PMG).

Mr J. D. T. Kirk becomes a director of Parsons Brown and

board of Bunzi Puip & Paper.

Mr James White has joined the

Mr Alan G. Kennedy has be-

come chief executive of the Thomas Cook Group on the re-tirement of Mr T. E. Fisher.

Mr Thomas Cole has been made ties) after completing a period as

Newton.

Further concessions by report.

(Financial Assistance) Bill, due

BANK FIGURES

Bank of England yesterday.

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unions are essential to the efficiency of the port, accountants Price Waterhouse say in their

"The nub of the PLA's present financial problem is a combination of uneconomic use of manpower, and its inability to divest itself of manpower which is aiready surplus, even on the basis of present uneconomic working practices", the report

Mr Fowler decided to publish it when he agreed last December to further limited financial aid for the PLA, which is in-cluded in the Port of London to receive its second reading next week.

Price Waterhouse support the transfer option of moving cargo to the "Royal" docks rather than the concentration option which the PLA had originally chosen before being forced last month to shut the India and Millwall.

The following are the figures for stigible habilities and reserve asset ratios of United Kingdom banks released by the

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Educating people to look for that label 'Made in the UK'

have for some years now indicated their concern at the lack of a government policy for the clothing industry, which used to be number seven in the United Kingdom employment league. If we also consider the ancillary suppliers to the industry, this, of course, increases considerably the labour force employed in clothing

manufacture. The following are reasons for the need to have a viable clothing/textile industry: 1. The high percentage of school leavers—girls and boys who, over the years, have found a happy, strike-free environ-

2. This "craft" labour-intensified industry does not require academic skills and therefore offers employment to those who are possibly "slow starters".

3. The sewing skills these girls and boys acquire fit them very well for their early married life when many of them will not even be able to buy the so-called "cheap imports". 4. The self-imposed disciplines of clothing operatives on a piece rate or bonus system helps

produce good citizens. This is one industry where

From the National President of kept pace with inflation.

ports, but our forebears the Federation of Clothing 6. The export performance will the common sense to know not be maintained without a when they bought foreign

against having an industry toclothe our own population are: 1. This is a third world industry examine your clothing im-ports; you will be amazed at the non third world imports.

2. Freedom of choice—I do not recall a freedom of choice of MPs from overseas; there must be many cheaper, and possibly better. Anyone been offered government employees from the third world at their prices?

We are still fortunate that some of the leading multiples still believe in United Kingdom produced clothing, but even here there is an increasing amount of component parts being used from overseas when United Kingdom products are still available.

It has just come to my notice. that the Ministry of Defence are now accepting German/.
Hungarian interlinings for our
military uniforms. This could
not have happened 10 years ago. It is our opinion that all free issue should be 100 per cent United Kingdom produced, inside and outside

after all, we are the ultimate purchasers of these garments. As long as I can remember, we have lived with cheap im-

Designers and Executives not be maintained without a when they bought foreig Sir, My federation executive firm home base for sales. Empire-made goods when irm home base for sales. Empire-made goods when Amongst the reasons given suitable United Kingdom duct was available, they cutting their own throats.

The answer to our pro is simple-forget the Go lic, led by the TUC, give "Buy British" campaign meaning. We need to ed and reeducate our people support home produced a from a box of matches aeroplane. If all union men and their families were to British, our balance of ments would be constant the black, and if they ut their obvious "muscle persuading members, as do in picketing, their t image would be improved . piept

.All we ask your reade do is let his or her purof garments (and any else for that matter) be.M. IN THE UNITED KINGD

Yours faithfully, K. G. WILLIAMS National President of the Fation of Clothing Desi and Executives. 38 Raydean Road,

Problems for international companies dealing in the Brazilian market guarantee is released. This The Brazilian Govern From Mr Ivor Hall

Sir, You carried an advertise-ment in your April 3 issue which set out the benefits of trading with Brazil. There was much emphasis on buying from, and setting up industry with Brazilian companies.

As an exhibition stand designer, in May I visit Rio de Janeiro to manage the installation of a large stand for a

Brazil, unlike any other country I have dealt with, has a special requirement regarding all material and equipment entering the country. On despatch of goods from the United Kingdom, bank guarantees to five times the value of a consignment have to be lodged with the Brazilian customs authority some eight weeks prior to arrival on site

in the case of seafreight. If the goods are immediately shipped back after the exhibition it takes at least a further released, adding 15 two months before the bank my clients' budget.

whole exercise means that the Brazilian Government holds large funds of hard currency on deposit for a number of months, thus adding at least 10 per cent to the budget of anyone exhibiting in Brazil. But this is not the end of the story when advising clients exhibiting overseas I

generally recommend that a United Kingdom based contractor builds the stand in a prefabricated form and carries all the display work in this country, which he then ships abroad Brazil, unlike all other countries I have worked in, has no simple facility for the destruction of the material content of an exhibition stand on site or in a bonded area nearby.
Instead the materials are left

in bond for some months until finally destroyed. For example, the bank guarantee on an exhihition my clients attended last October has only just been released, adding 15 per cent to

has been asked to change system which is making ficult and expensive for national companies to e in Brazil, but it has no done so. If, as its advi ment suggests, it would international truc must as a nation give ovcompanies a fair chan trade with it.

Finally, I note the United Kingdom compa mentioned in the list of who have siready set up manufacturing processe Brazil. I wonder why or dustries do not do as c and accept that if Brazil in a position to buy imp goods, they should help to set up manufacturing goods under licence for nal consumption.

Yours faithfully, IVOR HALL. 34, Bisham Gardens, London N6 6DD. April 6.

Postal services-another aspect

From Mr Arthur Cain Sir. The report dealing with the postal services in London may well be justified in its criticism of management and trade unionism, but there is

another side to this issue.

It is the personal friendlibelp and efficiency ledged at a time when the ser-

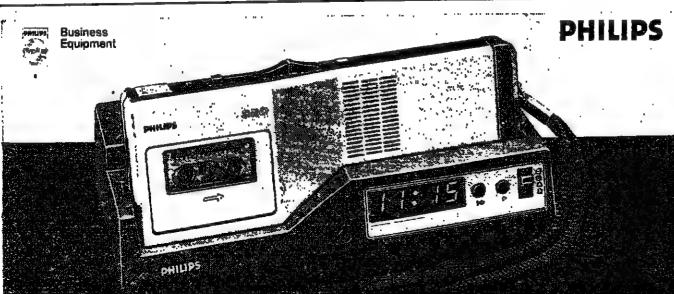
extended to members of the vice is subject to such public by individual postmen, criticism. the personnel who serve in the Yours faithfully, post offices and those who ARTHUR CAIN, post offices and those deliver bulk post to offices.

These qualities are an importent pert of the London postal service and should be acknow-

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April 2.

Highlights from the Accounts



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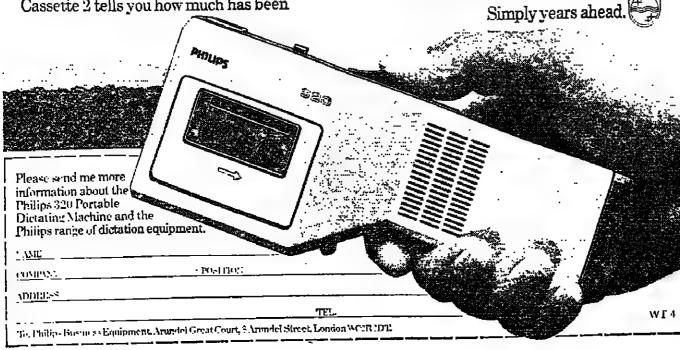
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Points from Mr. K. M. Bevins's statement to shareholders

RESULTS

The 1977 underwriting account, which was closed on 31st December, 1979, produced a record underwriting profit of £3.030,874. After adding investment income of £1,682,421 and charging taxation of £2,360,000, the net profit for the year was £2,353,295.

The recommended final dividend of 3.6p per share, together with the interim dividend of 4p (equivalent to 2p per share on the increased share capital), represents an increase over the previous year of 19.4%.

GENERAL

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The total of transactions insured by the Company in the United Kingdom and overseas markets last year exceeded £10 billion for the first time ever, increasing by 12.2% to nearly £10.3 billion. The growth experienced in the United Kingdom of insured turnover and premium income was in the main attributable to two factors—price increases and new business obtained; the first of these was outsideour control but the second was very much the product of our

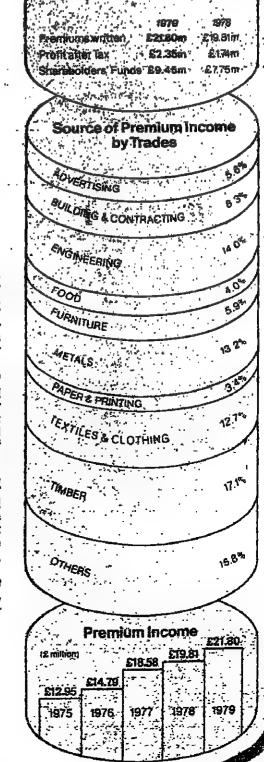
Throughout last year prices rose sharply, especially in the case of industrial raw materials, and our premium income increased accordingly. As the year proceeded the success of our earlier marketing efforts began to show. The Company finished 1979 with new business premiums of almost £1.9 million, which compared well with 1978's figure of £1.4 million and additionally the number of policies not renewed was lower than for many years.

The mounting effects of the credit squeeze will reduce liquidity, especially in the case of smaller businesses. There are very clear prospects, therefore, of falling orders and output, reduced profitability, increased illiquidity and rising insolvencies over a wide range of industry and commerce in this country. The message that emerges is clear. The need for credit insurance cover under these conditions is obvious and we shall be making every effort to satisfy it.

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BY THE FINANCIAL EDITOR

Implications of the banking figures

ilts market took heart from yesterday's ig figures. Prices picked up after they published, and some dealers now ex-hat short term rates will at long last

tey supply figures give some basis s belief. The M3 figure is up by about r cent in the first months of the new period, which runs to April 1981. last October M3 has grown by 11! per n an annual basis, and since June the has slackened off to 91 per cent, a which, if maintained for the full will be well within the government's range of between 7 and 11 per cent. e are, however some complications. corset comes off and acceptance are switched into bank lending, the n to M3 could be up to two per cent; the other hand the surrender of cers of tax deposits will work the other

that on an unadjusted basis as are down by £133m, essentially being the fall in lending to the manufacand consumer sectors, should be at with some caution. The adjusted for the banking sector as a whole are ely to show an increase. Companies retailers) have been running down ocks; but once this is over the need ince-preferably long-term financeto become more apparent.

of its financial requirements the te sector is in as bad a predicament terms as it was in the 1974; one of mmest years ever. Costs are rising.
 ession is beginning to bite and will y as consumers withdraw more and id the strong sterling exchange rate at make life any easier. The full ions of that on the market may still

er Crpn igth of the

growth at Bowater was sluggish in r the third year running. Is this to a permanent characteristic of the ? The yield—9.5 per cent, with es at 172p—suggests that the stock hinks so. But the stock market may short sighted.

year's profits-up from £90m to it the pre-tax stage-suffered from turnround in cotton trading which ibuted to unexpectedly sharp in interest rates and fluctuations nge rates.

er has taken steps to ensure that ict will never be as great again. In there were start-up costs-some the new newsprint machine in e, which is due to contribute to is year. And finally there was the npact of exchange rate movements, st some £6m. Add that little lot I the performance does not look so

> however, achieved at a time when conditions for paper and pulp (up 5.9m to £72.4m overall, at the level) were particularly good in ed States. This year Bowater may clawback last year's exceptionals some bounce to profits.

me, the group is engaged in good ping, cutting back on stocks to rrowings down. On a current cost net result is attributable provided the would have covered the By around 1.3 times. That makes es a hold—but nothing more unless the dollar strengthens are pound.

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Section 1985 April 1985 e's cool response to City hostility is . sased on some solid fundamentals. ip 19 per cent to £49.2m, of course £24.5m of profits from casinos, save either been shut by the es or are in the process of being

e 50 per cent dividend hike, which

gives a yield of over 12 per cent on the shares (up 9p to 139p), hardly looks like a last-ditch gesture, given that the payment would be more than twice covered by noncasino profits,

The current rating on the shares is not demanding. The p/e ratio—only 2.6 on stated earnings—would rise to less than 7 on fully-taxed non-casino earnings alone. And the property revaluation has lifted asset backing from 159p to 220p a share.

The crucial test has yet to come of course given that casino profits provided most of the running last year, although property performed strongly and racing overcame a firsthalf setback to log higher profits.

Assuming Ladbroke loses its last battle to save the London licences and turns its back completely on casinos, prospects generally look studgy enough to hold current year profits below the £30m mark.

Thereafter, backed by a strong balance sheet, the group must look forward to a future as a staid and unexiting profits performer. This of course could be just the right image to cultivate as Ladbrokes attempts to recover its shattered City

But it does not leave a great deal of scope for further upward re-rating in the shortterm unless of course long-running bid umours turn into reality.

 Selection Trust, the smallest United Kingdom mining finance house, had the mis-fortune to report its 1979 figures yesterday just when world recession began to get metal prices firmly in its grip. The market disliked the reminder that Selection Trust has ventures coming into revenue this year and next and that such revenue—a growing proportion of it from gold—will probably be hard to earn.

Meanwhile last year showed what the group can do when most things are going for it. Pre-tax profits rose from £19.8m to 26.4m, helped by Amax, the giant United States natural resources group which is to quintuple molybdenum capacity in the next

Selection has 78.8 per cent of the Australian venture Seltrust (nickel, iron ore, copper, zinc, silver), and 34.3 per cent of Unisel South Africa gold mining apart from the 3 per cent stake in Amex. Given its other interests, an ostensible net asset value of 730p a share is clearly conservative. But the same may be said of other United Kingdom houses.

Profits this year may rise to around £35m but an historic PoE of 14.3 at 616p looks high despite the gearing its new ventures give a mining finance house of this size.

Associated Biscuits

Acquisitions paying off

On a day when United Biscuits announced that its rights issue had been 71 per cent subscribed, there was a faint flavour of disappointment to Associated Biscuits too. In this case, however, it was disappointment in the stock market, which turned up its nose at a mere 28.4 per cent advance at the pre-tax level, to £11.59m, and allowed the shares to slide by 2p to 78p.

Associated fell well short of market

expectations which were for £12.5m plus -and marginally short of its own, largely as a result of the strengthening pound (which knocked some £500,000 off export profits), weak trading conditions in Germany (where two factories have now been closed), and the lorry drivers' strike, which cost some £1.5m. That profits rose nevertheless can be attributed to the (unquantified) contribution from the end-78 acquisition, Smiths-which is in line with expectations.

However, Associated is sufficiently cheerful about its performance under difficult trading conditions to be considering further acquisitions, now that the last tranche is consolidated, and there is an end: in night to the reorganization programme now in

. The yield on the shares-8 per cent, after a handsome increase in the dividendreflects continuing confidence in the strategy, though that could be reimpered by the sight of the balance sheet, which will to meet the basic needs of show borrowing substantially increased.

Will fewer bureaucrats mean better communications?

The telecommunications industry in the United States is ensnared in a mass of rules and It decided, in what it termed a "final order" (itself is a controversial label), to split teleregulations imposed by the government's Federal Com-Communications Commission.

Washington

In theory private enterprise prevails and Americans all too often sneer at the nationalized telephone networks that thrive overseas. In practice, however, public authorities have sharply limited the freedom of America's private telephone ompanies. American Telephone and

American Telephone and Telegraph Company (AT and T) and to a lesser extent General Telephone and Electronics Corporation (GTE) provide almost all standard telephone services to Americans and they are closely watched by the FCC, the anti-trust division of the Department of Justice and numerous other official bodies.

They have, to be sure, done very well in this regulated environment, but they say that that in the interests of con-sumers it will continue to regulate the rates and manage-ment of standard telephone line

vironment, but they say that they could do still better if there was less official super-vision. Increosingly economists and leaders of consumer groups have reached a similar conclu Now the FCC has also accep further and deregulate the marketing of basic telephone equipment as well. Until now, for example, it was possible

Now the FCC has also accepted this point of view. For 14 years it has wrestled with the question of how to regulate the industry, as the development of computer-linked communicarions systems became more im-portant and brought into the

For some leaders of industry, helping to meet the needs of society in such areas as education, bealth energy conserva-tion, urban renewal, rural development and job creation is at most a matter of occasional spare-time effort and judicious philanthropy. For many, it is

But for Mr William Norris, chairman and chief executive officer of Control Data Corporation of Minneapolis, it is portion of Minneapolis, it is the foundation of his company's entire business strategy. It has been so for the past 16 years or more and it has proved both relevant and profitable. Mr Norris set up Control Data in 1957 to design and make large computers for scientific

uses. The company is now a \$3,250m (about £1,500m) business embracing a wide range of computer-based products and services plus the financial services of Commercial Credit.

When is a high tacknology

What is a high technology company like Control Data doing dabbling in education, bealth and other worthy social services?
"I take a broad approach"

Mr Norris says. In Minneapolis he would use the word "holistic"; in his suite at the Savoy Hotel in Loudon he ex-plains that this means comaddressing prehensive, addressing the whole problem. "The basic thrust is the

major unmet needs of our society. But there has to be a match with maximizing profits for the corporation." Henry Ford met a basic need, he points out, as did the intro-

duction of electricity and the telephone. But needs are inter related now; simply to improve transport in isolation would not solve the present-day problems of rural America (or of urban Britain, for that matter).

Technology in general and computer technology in par-ticular can lielp in addressing the overall task—and this holistic approach can give better, longer-lasting solutions to the various constituent

If the Control Data approach is so clever, why has it not been adopted by many other companies in the United States? There is a growing awareness in other companies, Mr Norris says, but the main pressure on most company executives on couraged by conventional business school teaching is for short-term profit or instant gratification.

gratification".

A balance between short-term and long-term advantage should be sought, Mr Norris argues. And, if that is accepted, aiming to meet the basic needs of

Frank Vogl This week it made some impor-tant decisions on this front.

The single most important aspect of the new ruling is that all companies in the communicommunications into two dis-tinet parts—all standard telecations business now have clear phone line services and, secondly, so-called "enhanced guidance on those areas which remain under the regulation of the commission and those which are free from regulation. services, the transmission and manipulation of data from Companies will no longer need to worry about new regulations wrecking their plans when they enter into the telephone equipment or enhanced services The commission decided that it could not sensibly sub-divide

> This could encourage more entrants into the industry, stimulate competition and in time, provide better overall munications services. One who believes this is Mr Charles Ferris, head of the commission, who says that the decision means that "communications business entrepreneurs can be sure that the marketwill decide their fate.

> "We anticipate that con-sumers in general will pay less than they otherwise would and at the same time will have available a much broader array products from which to

> rates are not used to subsidize equipment prices—thereby en-

competitors out of business-the FCC has decreed that both AT and T and GTE must establish separate subsidiaries to

market telephone equipment. By March, 1982, both companies must be in a position to offer consumers the choice of buying ordinary telephones outright or continuing to rent them. Any other company can also offer competitive phones that can be plugged into the AT and T

lines.

Mr Tyrone Brown, an FCC commissioner, points out that the new ruling means in effect that deregulation has now come to everything from the "plain old telephone" to the "smart terminals". But this is not strictly accurate. A question mark hangs over the crucial issue of whether AT and T can plunge fully into the computer communications equipment busicommunications equipment busi-

The commission has said that AT and T can go ahead and some reports have suggested that a battle of giants between IBM and AT and T is in the offing. The trouble is that in 1956 AT and T signed a complicated Justice Department actitrust decree that prevents it from entering certain types of businesses, including, some ex-perts say, the computer commu-

quipment so low that it drives this multi-million dollar busi-

But the lustice Department may have a different view, as may some of AT and T's competitors. One Justice Depart ment spokesman noted that nodecision has yet been taken-about contesting the FCC finding in the courts, but this is an option that is under considera-

Mr Brown fully acknowledges the congroversial aspect of the FCC decision on this crucial point. He says: "I would welcome congressional confirmation—of any species of our decision—of any species." aspect of our decision, particu-larly our construction of the 1956 consent decree. Without such confirmation, full implementation of our decision may be delayed by years of litiga-

Mr James Quello, another FCC commissioner, stresses that "the 'final order' is anything but final". AT and T, GTE, numerous industry executives and government officials all appear to take the same view. They accept that the decisions are important, but say that their consequences are far from cer-

But at least the FCC has now fallen into line with a growing number of United States gov-To ensure that telephone dications sector.

The FCC says that its ruling to accept that less regulation may be better for the economy abling AT and T to price its opens the way for AT and T in as a whole.

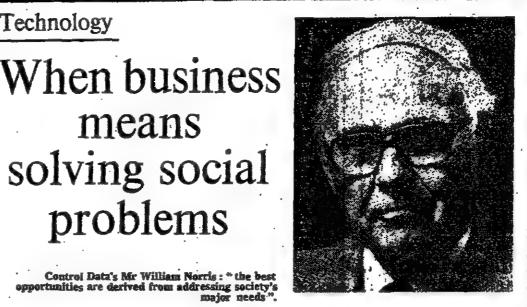
and create new, innovative cities. City Venture markets its sen-

vices to communities and to, State and Federal agencies. Educution, training and new jobs come together with other elcments in the holistic approach. Similarly, Rural Venture is a collaborative project aimed at stimulating the creation of more small farms and food processing units. Large-scale agriculture has created big problems; technology is available to make small farms more successful, reducing the cost of food and increasing the number of jobs. Education and training, infor-mation services and detailed harvest forecasts based on large computer models are among the other elements of this pro-

gramme.
One could list further examples of the "real needs" to which Mr Norris and his company are responding-the need to encourage small innovative businesses: to tackle unmployment; and to make the transfer of technology euricit across business and national boundaries.

Underpinning many of these enterprises is the power of large computer-based information and teaching systems. They link the basic knowledge industry of the future with the needs of today. Mr Nortis, the pragmatic idealist, brings it all down to earth succintly. Willie Sutton. the famous bank robber, and I

Kenneth Owen



problems

means

solving social

Control Data's Mr William Norris: "the best

opportunities are derived from addressing society's major needs".

(and between) computers to

the enhanced service sector and that therefore it had the choice

of creating whole sers of speci-fic regulations for it or doing

away with regulation entirely. It chose the latter course and its decision has been viewed by

some commentators as breath

The FCC was swift to stress

Having decided to deregulate

enhanced services and thus the sale and servicing of all sophis-

icated telephone machinery,

the FCC decided to go one step

only to rent an ordinary tele-phone from A.T. and T., not buy one outright.

Technology

home and office terminals.

for the long-term future of a company than any amount of short-term market research. His dismissal of the conventional dependence on market research is total.

"Control Data's primary business strategy", Mr Norris reaffirms, "is based on the premise that the best business opportunities, in the long run, are derived from addressing major societal needs in cooperanon with the Government and Other sectors "

Education is one example. Control Data Institute's voca-America, Europe and Australia train large numbers of computer operators, programmers 'and 'engineers, but the parent

are much broader than this.

Here the "real need" is to improve the quality, consistency and productivity of education generally. Control Data's solution, developed over many years in association with public suthorities in the United States, in a computer-based learning system known as Plato, designed to enable individuals to study a wide range of sub iects, advancing through the course at their own pace. Health care is a second ca-

suple, For general use Country Data has developed comprehensive health screening procedures and a computer based information system which enables individuals to assess their own state of health.

A special exercise in health care focused on the Rosebud Reservation in South Dakons, the home of 6,000 South

Indians, Many of them live up to 150 miles from the one small hospital, with little transport evaluable.

A mobile clipic is used to provide regular health services for 10 communities on the reservation, and Control Data has implemented a programme to improve health care generally on the site. The lessons learnt will be applied in similar systems (marketable ones) for other isolated rural areas, de-caying inner cities and developing countries.

Energy—including conservaernative third area in which Control Data is active. Energy analyses for buildings and assessments of the potential for solar energy revitalize existing urban areas

systems are offered via the company's on-line computing services metwork. "Earth-sheltered" buildings—partcovered in earth as if moving back towards cave dwellings— are being evaluated for their insulating and energy conserving qualities. Control Data's involvement in

the improvement of inner city areas began with the setting up of factories to provide jobs in depressed areas of Minneapolis. It has developed into City Venture Corporation, a collaborative project with other business and professional organizations and churches to apply a range of technologies, from both the physical and social sciences, to

share a common philosophy be remarks. "When he we asked 'Why do you rob banks? he answered Because where the money is '."

GRAMPIAN HOLDINGS

Preliminary Results for the year ended 31 December 1979.

GRAMPIANHOLDINGS LIMITED announce profits (subject to audit) before tax for the year ended 31 December 1979 of £1,930,000 (1978 £1,675,000). The Directors propose a final dividend of 12.0% (3.00 pence per share) giving with the interim's total of 18.0% (4.50 pence per share). £000 63,423 £000 66,520 1,007 CONSUMÉR GOODS..... 1,030. 2,037 354. 343

INDUSTRIAL SERVICES..... Parent company expenses including bank and debenture interest not Otherwise allocated 1,694 Share of loss of associated company..... PROFIT DEFORETAXATION..... 1.930 1,675 Taxation on profits of the year..... 151 PROFIT AFTER TAXATION..... 1,739 1,524 Exceptional deferred taxation adjustment..... 800 Profit after taxation and exceptional item. 1,739 2,324 Amounts applicable to periods prior to acquisition and minority (28)67 1,711 221 2,391 909 Extraordinary items (Note 1)..... 1,490 1,482 Preference paid of 4.9% 152 521 RETAINED PROFITS (Note 2)..... 961 1,490 1,482 Earnings per share (Note 3).... 14.99p

NOTE 1. Extraordinary items: Closure costs £302,000, net of tax relief; less extraordinary recoveries

NOTE 2. The comparative figures have been restated for a prior year stock valuation adjustment which has reduced 1978 retained profit by £90,000.

NOTE 3. Earnings per share for 1978 is stated excluding the exceptional deferred taxation adjustment.

The Chairman, Mr. David C. Greig, comments: "I believe that the Group is now soundly based "Group profits have increased by 15%. This is in fewer disparate areas. Its balance sheet a positive advance against a background of the road haulage strike and the engineering dispute, has been strengthened by reduction in borrowings.

At the year end net borrowings represented 35%

of shareholders' funds (1978 - 42%).

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both of which have had adverse effects.

Business Diary: Lord Mayor's China • BR's doodler

Gadsden, Lord Mayor ost eminent of capitaltions the City of Lonpreparing to venture is thought no Lord s ventured before. ugust, he will be takremonial robes, Lady

and a couple of for company off to extol the virtues of and its institutions. vhat the Chinese will such City of London the Baltic Exchange d's is anyone's guess, st Sir Peter has a head the rest of us when to dealing with them. visited China in 1959

has been a regular fair. underwriting member 5, he was invited to return for the hospi-

wn by the City to a hinese delegation last We will be having alks on the role the London can play in China develop." Sir i Business Diary.



Sir Peter Parker, chairman of British Rail, penned this portrait of fellow guest Michael Foot during gesterday's follifications to celebrate the rail union Aslef's 100th birthday.

But Ray Buckton, Aslef's general secretary, who was also the subject of a Parker quickfire sketch, need not be worried that the BR boss was bored during the Albert, Hall proceedings.

ceedings.
"I doodle all the time, but only when I am interested,"
Parker told Business Diary.
"My life is deep in doodles."
Buckton, the man who instilled into British industrial life the phrase "I don't know how I can keep my lads back",

has an intriguing comment by the side of his portrait in Parker's official guide to the

Seagram, the world's largest Despite the Disry's fears of distilling concern, has broken the fee which has hitherto existed in Britain between the

drinks and industry and chari-ties trying to treat and prevent All the proceeds from Seagram's latest venture in sports

gram's larest venture in sports
sponsorship—a seven-nation
cycling event—will go to
ACCEPT, an organization
formed in America in 1975.
ACCEPT, pointedly, does not
preach total abstinence, as do Alcoholics Anonymous and other older groups, but demands moderation in drink. This is a pretty neat way for Seagram to meet what it calls its "social obligation to help those who suffer from the abuse of



famed for his success at grou-ing tomatoes that he was approached by the railway staff Journal and asked to reveal his secret in print.

It arises. Parker says from o story told to him by TUC with the words Parker has set deputy general secretury Norman Willis. According to Willis there was once a railman so.

yesterday, the Post Office has failed to sink that stalwart body the Association of British Chambers of Commerce. The ABCC moved premises

earlier this year and the Post

Office exchange has ever since

inexplicably referred callers to a number at the Welsh Office. "We've complained continuugily but without much success", the ABCC said yester-day. The association will be pursuing the matter further through its member on the Post Office Users' National Council. But it appears that the Diary's ire has worked Callers

are now being intercepted and given the correct number.

 Percy Allaway, the electronics engineer who is chairman of EMI Electronics, now part of Thorn Electrical, admits there is more than a touch of irony about his latest appointment as the new chairman of the Council of Engineering Institutions (CEI).

CEI is the umbrella body for the chartered institutions which the Finniston report on the engineering profession has sug-gested should be largely re-placed by a new stantory engineering authority. But even if Sir Keith Joseph, the Industry Secretary, does not adopt the Finniston suggestions, Allaway yesterday himself ser forth the likely finish of CEI as such

His first job as chairman was to appounce the CEI's alternative proposals to Finniston that two proposals to Finniston that would replace the CEI with what unkinder critics have dubbed a three-headed monster. The CEI plan for a beefed-up Engineers Registration Board, a new society that would speak a new society that would speak for the profession, and for a Whitehall-based commissioner to prod for change in the engineering profession and in-dustry, was produced by a CEI committee of which Allaway is

Allaway explains that changes are needed, but they should be evolutionary rather than the sort of revolution the Finalston report had in mind. Given the time it often takes to achieve some sort of con-sensus among professional engi-neers, Allaway might still see out his chairman's year if the CEI plan west ahead. This would leave as the real casualty the new CEI vice-chairman and chairman elect for 1981, Bryan Bildrew, a marine engineer who is chairman of Lloyd's Register.

The produces of the Encyclo-paedia Britannica in Chicago are having problems getting their feet in people's doors these days. And they blame the American government's Federal Trade Commission. The commission took steps in 1976 to stop encyclopaedia salesmen from entering people's homes before fully explaining

The FTC demanded that each Britannica salesman should present a card as soon as a pros pective consumer's front door was opened—not an ordinary card, but one measuring three inches by five and stating boldly "The purpose of this representative's call is m solicit

the sale of encyclopaedias.". The cards have no doubt brought a lot of skunned doors and now the Britannica lobby is getting into full gear in the nation's capital. It has petitioned the FTC to do away with the card and permit salesmen to present ordinary business cards when they tap on doors.

A colleague received a "per-sonal illustration" from the Save and Prosper Group of how one of their life insurance linked swings plans would linked swings plans would benefit him. A journote to the calculations read: "The illusthe Life Assurance Premium Tax Relief Rate at 171 per cent throughout the life of the plan (ie, the next 20 years). Nothing wrong with that, as the Henry Root letter writer would say, only the Chancellor announced in the Budget last month that life assurance tax relief would be cut to 15 per cent next April.

David Hewson

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FINANCIAL NEWS AND MARKET REPORTS

Stock markets

Bank figures sustain progress

ing figures yesterday afternoon wast just enough to sustain the small advance made by equities n the morning.

With the three-week Budget account drawing to a close, and persistent rumours of a new tap issue today, there were more sellers in evidence than buyers. A large batch of company results also provided the market with interest, and conrasting movements.

Gilts hardened after the bank lending figures were favourably received by the market, having seen a firm morning which started £2 better for long-dated issues. But the im-provement did not last as dealers were waiting to see if today would produce a new tap. Longs closed £2 up on the day, having been £2 better.

The Government broker supplied more of the short tap in in Exchequer 13½ per cent 1893 at £95½, which was later withdrawn at that price. This helped to push shorts up by between £½ and £½ better, although the

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Bristol Stadium (F)
Blantyre Tea (F)
Boustead (F)
Chepstow Bace (F)

Cosalt (F)
Barton Group (I)
Christies Int (F)
Finlay Pack (F)
Brown & J (F)
Gaskelf B (F)
Gen & Comm inv (F)
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Green's Econ (F)
Hewden-Stnart (F)
KCA Int (F)

LWT (Hidgs) (I)

Minet (F) Royco (F)

Bowater (F) BPC (F) Cosalt (F) Barton Group

ecarly buying.

The FT Index, which had risen by 2.8 to 433.9 at the end of the first hour of trading, closed 0.5 up at 431.8. Most of the blue chip stocks

finished the day unchanged, with the exception of Glaxo whose results are due on Monday. Market rumour suggested that there were parcels of be-tween 50 and 100,000 shares available, although most of the jobbers appeared to be buyers. In the event, Glaxo finished 4p down at 244p. There were also buyers for Courtaulds, whose results are due in May, but the price closed unchanged at 66p. ICI and Beecham were static at 370p and 116p respectively as were Dunlop at 55p and Unilever at 396p. Fisons gained

2p to 269p. Of the 30 companies which reported figures, many were unchanged Aurora showed one of the sharpest moves, gaining 8p to 56p with its better-than-expected results, while Burton Group lost 8p after presenting disappointing interim profits.

Latest results

0.22(0.18) 1.9(2.11) 12.6(15.1) 0.61(0.57) 11.59(9.0) 3.8(4.3)

9.34(9.23) 6.2(5.62) 0.61(0.52)

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Earnings per share

9.35(7.68) 6.05(4.79)

153(109)

4.6(7.1) 41.3(27.5) 52.48(41.53)

The publication of the bank- morning had been quieter after Ladbroke gained 9p to 139p, after results in line with market expectations while Taylor-Woodrow lost 8p to 343p after a disappointing 2 per cent proifts improvement. Associated Biscuits dipped 2p after slightly disappointing results, while Bowater at 172p was unchanged.

> The shares in Coral Leisure, now 73p, could jump sharply next Wednesday—if by then magistrates have approved the renewal of the casino licences. There have been no formal objections so far.

considerable for electricals, and demand Decca 'A' added 28p to 568p and the ordinary 33p to 678p. Ferranti put on 20p to 485p. Racal gained 8p to 233p bur GEC at 368p and Thorn at 208p improved by just 1p. Diploma showed a 12p rise to 430p.

Speculative interest sur-rounded old bid favourite ERF, which rose 8p to 85p and take-over suggestions continued to

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1.3(1.11) 1.67(0.77) 24.5(17.9) 2.44(1.88) 4.61(4.61) 2.35(2.09) 0.5(0.54*)

circulate around Amalgamated Power which added 6p to 78p and Montague L. Meyer which was up by 2p to 105p.

The absence of a bid for Guthrie from Sime Darby, which is now permissible under take over code rules, pushed the share price down 25p to 850p. while Forness Withy, whose offer from Mr C. Y. Tung could still be referred to the Monopolies Commission, was unchanged at 368p.

investment buying also helped Babcock International to add 3p to 97p, while a profits warning from Empire Stores on Wednesday forced the price down 6p to 142p.

The oils sector was knocked by the BP chairman's warning statement on profits which pushed the share price down 18p to 358p. Other stocks followed suit with Shell losing op to 338p, and the Thistle Field problems continued to affect Tricentrol which fell 14p to 272, and Burmah, which lost 7p to 206. Ultramar finished 2p down at 534p during an active day's trading.

The second-line stocks were

quieter, with Seibens losing 10p to 627, although theer was some interest in newcomer Berkeley interest in newcomer Berkeley Exploration which gaized 2p to 115p in a day when its parent KCA International produced results showing that the Mud subsidiary had pulled profits down sharply: KCA was unchanged at 60p.

Buildings were also popular, with Blue Circle Industries, whose results are due later this month, rising 8p to 300p and BPR Industries gaining 5p to 182p.

to 182p.
Australian metals drifted down with a disappointing drilling report affecting Ashton which lost 18c to 1164c, CRA which fell 12c to 244c and Northern Mining which dipped 14c to 108c.
Gold shares reflected the drop in the builton price which was

on shares reflected the grop in the bullion price which was down \$20 at \$527.5 in the afternoon. Angle American, Gold was down \$11 to \$74 while West Dreifontein retreated \$24 to \$671. Cons Gold lost 8p to 473p and RTZ fell back 10p to 363n.

Equity turnover for April 9 was £70.333m (number of bargains 11,362). The most active stocks according to Exchange Telegraph were Burmah, Shell, Tricentrol, BP, Lasmo, BAT, Dalgety, Midland, ICI, BTR, Beecham, GEC and Racal. Dividends in this table are shown net of tax on pence per share. Elsewhere in Business News dividends are shown on a gross basis. To establish gross multiply the net dividend by 1.428. Profits are shown pre tax and carnings are net. *=Dividends are shown gross. †=Adjusted for acrip issue. ‡=Loss. §=Figures for both

Burton Group fails to meet forecasts

By Bryan Appleyard Burton Group's reputation as the stock to tide the retailing recession suffered a blow yes-terday when it unveiled interim profits only £100,000 shead at

At the trading level the increase was £1.5m to £11.8m but, after taking out loan stock tedemption surpluses, sales of properties and exchange gains on the convertible loan stock, the increase is more like £900,000 to £11m. Interest charges took £2.45m from that figure against £1.1m last time. The market had been going for around £10m at the pretax level and the shares reacted by dropping 8p to 121p. The two chief problems were

Oxford Street and manufacturing. The former suffered with now the rest of London retailers down while the latter saw the loss of The \$2750,000 of Temporary Employ gross

Elsewhere the group have held its own aga problems of the retail The newly acquired. Perkins chain, which ted about £20m to the

sales increas eto £118m in profits of perhaps were the star perform their continued benef the modernization pro With 120 stores out of to be modernized the from this area sehould for another year or m

Sales in the first fix of the second half are be encouraging. The board are m forecasts, though anal-now revising full-year down to around £17m.

The interim dividen-

Engineering strike costs Automotive Products £

The engineering strike cost retaine diprofits. £3m in last profit and explains the fall in pretax profits from £15.1 mto £12.6m in the year to December 28 on sales up to a tenth to £197m.

tenth to £197m.

However, the year's gross dividend has been doubled to 4.54p and the shares gained 2p to 76p where the yield is 5.8 per cent.

The group had a smaller fax charge in 1979 and a £5.71m: write back of deferred tax comwrite-back of deterred tax comes pared with £3.83m in 1978. There was also a £4.91m extraordinary credit representing the profit on an insurance claim over the book value of assets destroyed in a fire. This left

in 1980 Automotive ning for continued rea A 115m new factory filter division, which the fire, is planned. The overseas in America will streng original equipment ovreseas, where pros-said to be excellent demand for replacem

throughout the world

Small advance at Cosal

By Our Financial Staffs turned sour.

Exceptional provisions, losses The group on discontinued businesses and ties, ship's of a 78 per cent rise in interest charges to £1.14m trimmed Cosale's profits growth in 1979. Pretax profits rose by 7 per cent to £1.71m on sales ahead from £29.5m to £34.8m.

The discontinued businesses mirror menufacture and Air Wales, cost the group £200,000. Provisions of £485,000 above the line were against a bad debt and an aircraft contract that

vans, both had a good increased trading prof.
Borrowings rose 18
to £6.5m, or 75 per shareholders' funds, 1 when profits are ex

The year's gross divide been taised by half its At 39p the shares yell, cent and the p/e is 32

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Stockbrokers to merge Lloyds Bank Limited. London stockbroker Kent, East, Newton, which was formed

only two and a half years ago, is to merge with the Birmingham firm Margetts & Adden-

Yesterday's announcement was the culmination of four months of talks and both parties emphasized that the amalgama-tion, on April 28, did not signal

from positions of strength and from a common attitude to business", said Mr William Hands, who will be senior partner of the enlarged firm, Margetts & Addeubrooke, Esst, Neuron.

The merger will generate cost savings but no redundancies. The total staff, excluding partners and associate members,

Progress at **Associated Biscuits**

- TRADING PROFIT UP 48%

PROFIT BEFORE TAX UP 29%

- PROFIT AFTER TAX UP 40%

- DIVIDEND UP 26%

A summary of the Statement by the Chairman The Hon, Gordon W. N. Palmer on the results for the year ended 31st December, 1979.

THE RESULTS. 1979 was a year of progress and consolidation, following the acquisitions of 1978. Good results from the Snack Food Division appearing in the figures for the first time - contributed largely to the 48% increase in trading profit from £9.7m to £14.3m. Turnover rose by 61%, from £217m to £349m.

DIVIDEND. A final dividend of 12.2% brings the 1979 total to 22.2% (1978, 17.65%), fulfilling the intention expressed at the time of the Rights Issue of December 1978, FINANCIAL RESOURCES. Despite the pressures of inflation, plans for 1980 indicate that UK resources should be adequate to

meet operational needs. This is

helped by the low level of tax to be borne due to the high level of capital allowances and stock appreciation

THE FUTURE. "I believe that the re-balancing of the Group, with less dependence on the UK biscuit market, a larger presence in North America and Europe, and a substantial stake in the snack food market, will enable us to continue to grow both in turnover and profits. We have set ourselves some ambitious targets for 1980, and unless we are overwhelmed by events beyond our control I see no ... reason why these targets should not be achieved."

Results	s in brief	
Year ended 31st December	1979.	1.978
	£000's	£000's
Group sales	349,091	216,918
Profit before tax	11,591	9,001
Profit after tax	8,025	5,713
Dividend	4.44p	3.53p

Copies of the 1979 Report and Accounts, containing the full Statement by the Chairman

may be had on request from the Secretary, The Associated Biscuit Manufacturers Limited, 121 Kings Road, Reading RG1 3DE,

Trade Development Bank Holding S.A.

Highlights of the Year

For our Group, 1979 was a successful year. Earnings rose significantly, due largely to careful cost and credit control, well-balanced assets and liabilities and the deployment by Group banks of their special skills in export finance, foreign exchange, precious metals and

The Group increased to US\$ 40 million the issue of 25-year fixed rate notes in the domestic US market and issued US\$ 40 million floating rate notes in the international capital market. The proceeds of these issues were used to finance a 5% addition (from 60% to 65%) to our stake in Republic New York Corporation, the holding company for Republic National. Bank of New York, and to increase the capital of Group banks.

By 31st December, 1979, stockholders' equity of .

Republic National Bank of New York had risen to over US\$ 500 million and it had become the 41st bank in the USA ranked by deposits. Republic New York Corporation increased its quarterly dividend from US\$ 0.50 to US\$ 0.63 per share.

The geographical expansion of the last two years has been rewarded rapidly as our new banking subsidiary in Urugusy and Republic's new branches in Hong Kong and Chile are already contributing to profits.

In view of the excellent results and the encouraging start to 1980, the Board is recommending an increased dividend of US\$ 0.75 per share, compared with US\$ 0.65 per share for 1978.

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Consolidated Balance Sheet as at 31st December, 1979

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Bank certificates of deposit	556,375	407,920		liabilities		222,683	
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Trading account securities	140,358	244,192	Capita	I and loan funds	:		
Financial paper	1,872,732	1,700,905	-	king Fund Notes		60,000	30,000
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Customer current accounts and advances	1,990,395	922,569	Sin	king Fund Debe	atures 2002	35,000	35,000
Investments	42,247	5,109		iting Rate Notes ser loans	17,80	.40,000	200
Fixed assets	66,591	62,255	-			39,455	47,873
Other assets	201,701			Minority interests Shareholders funds:		107,435	108,854
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	For	the year eo	ded 31st De	cember		·	
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•	nner reserv	ES (U2\$ 000))	44,387	33, 6 90		
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Principal Subsidiaries Trade Development Bank, Geneva · Republic National Bank of New York, New York
Other affiliates and offices in: Beirut, Bogotá, Buenos Aires, Caracas, Chiasso, Frankfurt, Hong Kong, London,
Luxembourg, Mexico City, Miami, Montevideo, Nassau, Fanama, Faris, Rio de Janeiro, Santiago de Chile, São Paulo, Tokyo.

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profits fall by £3m

Insurance Correspondent

ings last year.

Two decades of profits growth

The insurance broker revealed yesterday that profits fell 45

The figures follow a stream

of disappointing results from

the sector, but Minet was harder hir because of its specialization in liability busi-

ness, particularly professional indemnity.

In this field premium rates

and commissions have been driven down by as much as 30 per cent, reflecting competi-

tion among underwriters keen to take advantage of soaring

BPC sees pretax

By Our Financial Staff

BPC suffered a £3m fall in profits to £4m in the year to December 29. Turnover rose from £174.3m to £199.7m.

At the trading level the profits fell from £11.06m to £9.4m. But interest charges up from £3.7m to £5.2m took their toll of the pretax figure.

A breakdown at the trading level shows printing profits up from £3.5m to £5.25m, packaging down from £2.5m to £1.5m and publishing down from £3.5m to £2.6m.

The advance in orinting was

The advance in printing was achieved in spite of losses during the transport strike and the non-publication of the Sunday Times colour supple-ment: Both problems hit Sun Printers which lost £1.75m on

the year.

In packaging, the fall is explained by heavy start-up costs on two new factories and

Profits slump at Minet Holdings

income rose only 2 per cent to £33m, while expenses soared 24 per cent to £30m for a ratio of 91 per cent. The rise in excame to a halt for Minet Holdpenses was due partly to special factors, including the consolida-tion of an American associate. per cent to £8.5m as the group was hir by exchange rate move-ments and fierce competition in United States markets. Minet claims underlying growth

was more like 16 per cent.

Profits were further depressed by a special provision amounting to £1.39m taken. above the tax line.

above the tax line.

Although it foresees little hope of recovery in insurance markets this year, Minet claims it could be set for "substantial" profiles growth in 1981. In the meantine, the dividend has been raised 20 per cent with a final of 2.45p gross, taking the total to 6.38p gross. The payment is twice covered by declared earnings of 9.17p gross.

difficult trading conditions.

But he does say that substan-

tial capital investment in 1979 should pay off when trading

Below the line exchange losses of £1.46m leave profits at the attributable level down from £4.2m to £600,000 and the preference and ordinary dividends have to be paid with the aid of a transfer from reserves of £919,000 segment a transfer

of £919,000 against a transfer

o reserves last time of £2.8m. The total dividends for the

conditions improve.

98p. They have been buoyed in recent months by buying in American group Corroon & Black and by market hopes of a full-scale bid.

Corroon has said that it intends to build a 20 per cent strike before discussing a premium pooling plan with Minut. Its stake now is 13 per

Minet's figures include an extraordinary gain of just over the from the disposal of the group's holding in another leading United States broking group, Fred S. James.

This reflects the final unwinding of the close association that existed between the two groups before Minet formed its alliance with

Grampian recovery continues

downturn in demand during By Our Financial Staff the last quarter.
Second half publishing profits
were £2.75m in the face of Grampian Holdings, the Scot-tish-based transport to sports-gear group, has continued its recovery and yesterday reported The recession, high interest rates and a strong pound prompt Mr Peter Robinson, the chairman, to say any forecasts for this year would be "unrecovery and yesteruay reported a 16 per cent profits rise to £1.9m on a turnover 5 per cent lower at £53.4m.

The figure is still some way

The figure is still some way from the record profit of £2.3m achieved in 1973, but last year saw the end of a four-year reorganization which halved the number of companies in the group to around 10 and saw off most of the unwanted loss-

Transport, where Grampian invested £2m last year, provided the bulk of profits for industrial services—up £400,000 to £1.4m—despite losing £350,000 on the transport strike. Gross total dividend is barely changed at 6.428p with a 4.285p

Strike Aurora suffers first fall since 1972 to £2m By Our Financial Staff

By Philip Robinson

Fast expanding Sheffield steel and engineering group Aurora Holdings — which spent £25.15m on two major acquisi-LWT (Holdings), the parent company of London Weekend Television, saw profits fall from £3.44m to £1.98m in the 26 weeks to January 27. tions in two years — has suf-fered its first profits setback since 1972. Mr Robert Atkinson, weeks to January 27.

Profits before the exchequer levy were down from £7m to £4m. Turnover rose from £31m to £34.4m.

Mr John Freeman the chairman, reports that the damage was largely done by the 11-week strike that snut down ITV. But he says the group has now fully recovered. the chairman, yesterday re-ported earnings down from £4.3m to £3.8m on a turnover, 55 per cent up at £103m. recovered.

Hutchinson, the publishing subsidiary, turned in a poor performance due to the depressed trading conditions in publishing.

The group are paying an un-changed gross dividend of 8.8p. The figures topped stock market hopes, and the share recovered from Wednesday's fall to be a shade better at 56p.
Once again the bulk of profits came from Aurora's traditional engineering companies. Edgar Allen Balfour, which the group

bought last summer, made a loss of £320,000, and some parts loss of £320,000, and some parts of that group continued in the red this year.

Aurora has already closed two of £AB's sites with the loss of 400 jobs costing £800,000, which will be financed by sales of those sites. There are also plans to telescope production of an existing seven sites into

the 1978 Finance Act and the proposals in the last Budget.

The scheme is expected to be put to shareholders at an extraordinary general meeting immediately after the annual meeting. Last year's transport and engineering strike cost the group around £1 in lost profits, and interest charges are up from £1.5m to £3.7m.

Dip in profit at KCA

By Our Financial Staff
KCA international, the oll servicing and contracting group chaited by Mr Paul Bristol, saw its profits slip from 52.74m to £2.67m pretax in 1979 as its drilling fluid subsidiary, BW Mud, only made a profit in the last quarter of the year.

But Mr Brissol stressed that BW Mud's "encouraging

One bright spot was a strong maiden contribution from trave

The interim dividend is 5.84p gross compared with 5.6p last time. This absorbs £660,000 of the attributable profit of £811,000.

The company is considering introducing an employee profit-sharing scheme taking advan-tage of the tax concessions in

gents, Page & Moy.

curnaround" at the end of last curnaround" at the end of last year had continued into the current year and that the company has opened new offices and warehouses in Venezuela and South East Asia.

The beisnoe theet has also heen inciped by a sale of land for £235,000.

The dividend is boosted from 1.5p to 6.42p.



Year ended 20th November 1979

	<u>1979</u> £000	<u>1978</u> £000
Group Turnover	7,978	6,439
Group Profit before taxation after taxation	1, 128 602	1,009 476
Export Turnover	1,985	1,529
Earnings per share	8.90p	7.10p*
Final Dividend per share	2.00p	1.01p*
Total Dividend per share	3.40p	1.80p** 9 Scrip Issue.

Record performance in Turnover & Profits.

Dividend for year increased by 89%.

 All manufacturing units fully booked for Spring/Summer season.

The economic future is obscure but we remain confident that so long as there is a market for well styled quality outerwear at value prices we can expect to prosper.

Henry Sykes: Dividend for 1979, 5.71p gross (5.96p). Sales £20.87m (£19.86m). Pre-tex profit £250,000 (£1.56m). After exceptional imms and tex loss £22.000 (profit £585,000). Eps—on profit after tex before extraordinary items—1.8p (11.5p). Final dividend was met out of reserves. Trading during first months of 1980 showed overall improvement and indicated dist company is well on way to recovery board said.

Supra Group: Dividend for year to November 30, 2.85p gross (2.18p). Turnover £9.18m (£765.33m). Pretex profit £1.026m (£765.000). Eps 7.19p (6.38p). Proposed free scrip issue one-foreight. Board expects rate of growth to continue. Burmah Oil: Dursek Campbell—member of Euromah Group has finalised sale to China for casting wax handling plant and equipment totalling £135,000 in its first deal with China.

Armitage Erothers: Turnover 1979 £8.63m (£7.26m). Pretex profit £511,000 (£578.000). Eps 153p (109p). Dividend 24.5p (17.97p). Dividend 35p gross (£6.8p).

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ever, chairman is confident that group has support. Drilling Tools North Sea: Mr Charles Noble, chairman, has cir-cularized "B" ordinary share-

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The Scores Provident Institution to St. Andrew Square, Edinburgh EFIZ TYA.

tax profit, £1.41m (£1.58m). Dividend; 5p (4.62p) gross. White first-quarter sales in 1980 have been maintained at a reasonable level, high interest charges and increased costs are bound to have their effect on profitability.

Boustead: Turnover for 1979, £37.02m (£29.27m). Pretax profit, £3.31m (£2.31m). Total gross dividend affectively increased from 1.45p to 2.14p and one-for-five scrip issue proposed.

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scrip issue proposed.

Brown & Jackson: Turnover for 1979, 110.9m (£34.3m). Profit, before pre-acquisition profit of £890,000 (nil), and tax, was £4.88m (£0.31m). Dividend 12.8p (1.36p).

Christies International: Turnover year 1979 £24.8m (£20.1m). Pretax profit, £5.2m (£5.6m). Eps 15.28p (14.32p). Dividend, £.57p gross (£.5p).

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gross (6.5p). Hewden-Stuart Plant: Pretax profit, attributable to shareholders, for year to February 3, 68.53m (against £6.24m). No manerial tax hiability expected. Total gross dividend effectively raised from 1.25p to 2.14p. One-for-five-scrip issue proposed. City of Loudon Excevery & Investment Trust: Third interim 0.83p for year to June 30, 1980, payable on May 30.

Royco Group: Turnover for 1979, £17.39m (£16.068m). Profits before tax, £5.2m (£2.8m). Dividend is 50 gross (3.65p). Earnings a share 12.62p (6.71p). Good start has been made to current year. Gaskell Broadloom: Tusnover for 1979, £11.88m (£10.02m). Pretax profits, £1.1m. (£1.04m). Total gross dividend effectively raised from 3.24p to 4p. Tilbury Contracting Group: Turnover for 1979, £56.89m (£45.25m). Pretax loss of £882,000, against profit of £2.49m last time, after provision for Nigerian indebtedness of £2.02m (mil). Total payment, gross, 31.96p (32.35p). Vospor: Group now experiencing a difficult time. Unless compensation problem is settled within next few months, prospects of a surplus accruing to the group in current year are not good. However, chairman is confident that group has support.

me continuing, and toard nopes to make an announcement shortly. Meanwhile, shareholders strongly advised to take no action. Fisons' 1979 annual report shows premx profits under the Hydestyle current cost accounting reduced to 55.4m from 517.3m under duced to 55.4m from 517.3m under historic cost conventions. Current-cost profits after tax were £1.3m and this compares with the and this compares with the .6.11m cost of dividends in 1979. De La Rue and Sun Chemical Corporation of United States have agreed for De La Rue subsidiary,

Cray Riectronics: As expected, independent directors of Cray, together with their advisers, strongly recommend shareholders to reject offer by Throgmorton Trust. Cray directors own 17.1 per cant of shares and will not accept. Cray board will in fine course recommend a final dividend of 2.04p gross, making 2.85p (2.65p).

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Mergers cleared: Following mergers are not being referred to Modopolies Mergers Commission: Ato Chimie SA and Sterling Thermoplastics: Harris Queensway Group and Henderson Kenton; Trafalgar House and Forms 21 Developments; Gradiente Electronic and Garrard Engineering; Montague L. Meyer and Van Riessen Beheer BV; Waring & Gillow (Holdings) and Maple; Guthrie Corporation and City & International Trusts; J. Hepwortin & Son and W. & E. Turter; Amey Roadstons Corporation and Spoilen Concrets; and Taggart Construction.

agustumm and associated Compenies: Turnover for year to January 31, £22.96m (£20.92m). Pretax profits, £1.9m (£2.11m). Chairman reports that profits are in line with the forecast. Total dividend raised from 2.46p to 2.92p gross.

dividend raised from 2.46p to 2.92p gross.
Green's Economiser Group: Turnover for 1979 up from £17.03m to £21.02m, but pretax profits down from £1.28m to £1.07m. Chairman reports that the engineering strike cost the company dearly. But company looks set for considerable progress in 1980. Dividend, 7.47p (6.9p) gross.

Bifurcated Engineering: Turnover Bifurcial Engineering: Turnover for 1979, £14.81m (£13.2m). Pre-tax profit, £1.41m (£1.58m). Divi-dend: 5p (4.52n). gross. While

holders regarding offer on behalf of Dawsea for shares in group. Negotiations with another party are continuing, and board hopes

agreed for De La Rue subsidiary, Crossield Electronics, to become directly responsible for sales and service of Crossield Magnascan colour scanners in the United States of America and Canada. Johnson Matthey has acquired Star-Link Chains of Fleet, Hampshire, manufacturers of jewellery chain and findings.

 Scrip Issue of one for five recommended. F. A. Robson Chairman. Ladies Pride Outerwear Limited

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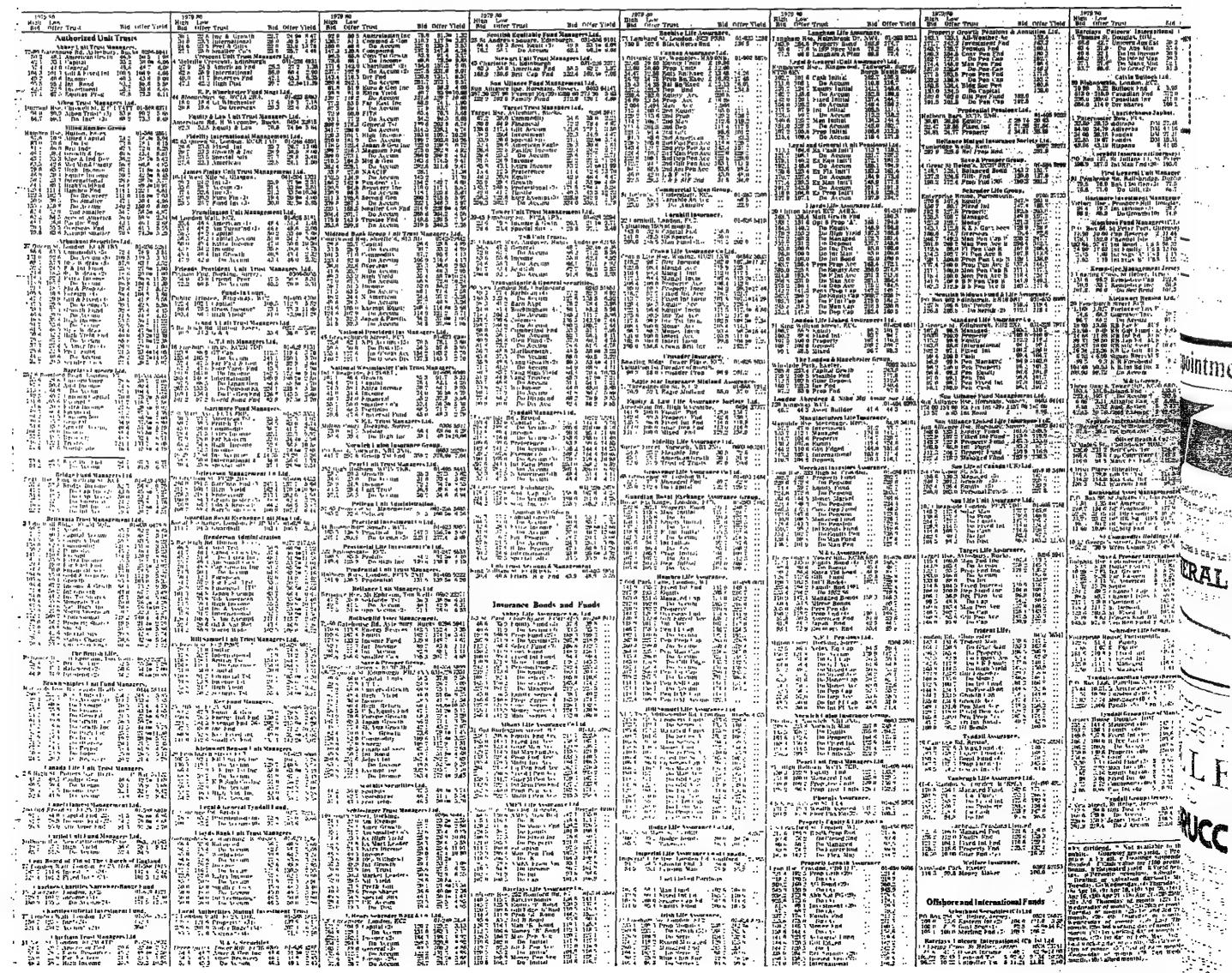
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FINANCIAL NEWS AND MARKET REPORTS 1.714-15: Nov. 1.720-25: Jan. 1.710-1. March 1.663-95: May 1.660-90. Sures 1.862 lols including 14 options. COCOA was steady 12 per metric ton; —May 1.376-78. July 1.380-38: Sept. 1.410-11: Dec. 1.447-50: March 1.511-24. Seles: 4.059 lots including two options. Foreign exchange report Wall Street Discount The dollar remained vulnerable yesterday to adverse factors like 92 points up against the dollar at the Iranian situation and recent indications of a downturn in level rose to 72.4 to 72.1 follow-**Commodities** market the Iranian situation and recent indications of a downturn in American interest rates. A fresh drop to 1.8700 occurred against the Deutsche Mark, andthe dollar ended lower at 1.8885 (1.8945). More ground was also conceded to Swiss francs, 1.7835 (1.7875) and French francs 4.3650 The pound fluctuated between SS. 1872 while its trade-weighted level rose to 72.4 to 72.1 following a recovery in terms of continuents. Business was brisk at times, but less than the previous two days. Dealers also thought the Bank of Egland operated on a two-way basis at the extremes. The yen ended higher at 250.75 compared with 253.50 against the dollar. Americal Herrical Ann Arthres Ann Brands Ann Brands Ann Broadcart Ann Eronamild Ann Elec Power Ann Hottes Ann Hottes Ann Hottes Ann Standard Ann Fine Armers Steel Assiren Ashlend Oil Adintic Richiteld Aven New York, April 10.—Stock prices were higher in active trading this morning with the Dow Jones industrial average up indications of a downturn in American interest rates. A fresh drop to 1.8700 occurred against the Deutsche Mark, addthe dollar ended lower at 1.8885 (1.8945). More ground was also conceded to Swiss francs, 1.7835 (1.7875) and French francs 4.3650 (4.3750). The pound fluctuated between Bank of England assistance on a moderate scale was required to alleviate the shortage of credit in the market yesterday. The authothe market yesterday. 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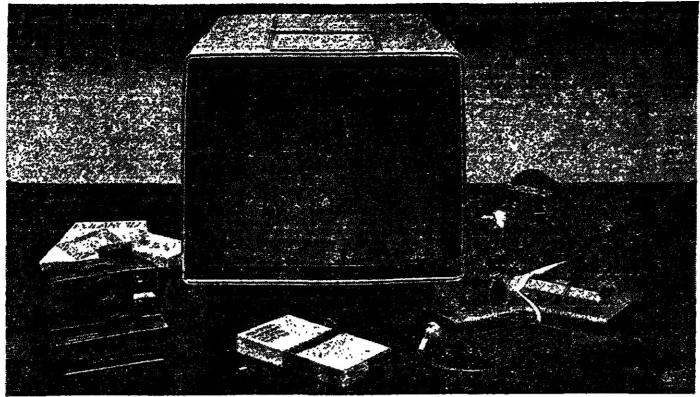
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The delicate art of choosing a car

Like, I suppose, anyone who writes regularly about curs and has the chance to try different models, I am frequently asked to give advice about choosing a vehicle. It is not always casy to be helpful, mainly because there are so many permutations.

Certain aspects of a car that are more or less measurable, its fuel consumption, performance, rear leg room, are useful things to know. With the cost of petrol ever on the increase, economy has been on the increase, economy has over-nushed inevitably to the forefront. But is it an overwhelming reason for buying, or not buying, a par-ticular model?

Most cars sold in Britain, outside the Rolls-Royce, Jaguar and Aston Martin category, are fairly economical, the national model average, according to the Department of Energy, being 29 miles to the gallon. Changing from a Jaguar to a Mini may cut the fuel bills dramatically, changing from a Cortina to an Escort will not.

Performance, I suspect, is be-coming less of an issue, though there is still a fascination for exotic top speed figures, academic as they are in Britain if the law is to be obeyed. Speed as such has little relevance to today's motoring; on the other hand, it is more relaxing to other hand, it is that a Citroen drive, say, a Jaguar than a Citroen 2CV and the former's ability to accelerate quickly out of trouble is arguably a safety factor.

With improvements in what is called "packaging", the art of squeezing the maximum interior space out of the smallest overall dimensions, the case for buying a large car just to give more room in the back is less convincing. (The case for buying a large car to impress the neighbours is another matter.) I would say that for most uses a small hatchback, such as the Ford Fiesta, is an adequate family

The relative merits of the hatchhack and the conventional three-box saloon, one box for the engine, one for passengers and one for the boot, have also to be weighed. The hatchback offers the greater versatility, you can usually fold the rear seat down to take awkward loads. But there are many motorists who prefer the looks of a saloon and a separate boot which guarantees that its contents will be hidden from prying

As for estate cars, it depends on the owner's requirements. For a large family making regular trips to stay with friends or relatives the more room the better. But if a large estate is going to be occupied

fully only two or three times a year, it may pay to hire one and have a

smaller car for everyday use. Areas such as ride and handling are difficult to measure and the subjective element inevitably creeps in. French cars, for instance, tend to have very soft springing which gives a smooth, soft ride. The seats are in keeping and you sink into them as you would into an armchair. The corollary of the soft ride is less than crisp handling; a French car is likely to roll quite noticeably on corners.

German cars, by contrast, are very firmly sprung, giving a much harder ride. The seats can be almost like boards. The handling, though, generally has a tautness that is reassuring to the driver and does not leave the passengers feeling they are about to be tipped out.

It is difficult to argue that either the French or the German solution is superior I tend to favour French cars for their exceptionally com fortable ride, where others would go for more responsive handling. What is certain is that the two types of design have a quite different feel, and a potential owner should take that into account.

If I have a prejudice, it is for very quiet cars. Noise is one of the curses of the modern age and I have no sympathy with people who revel in it, whether sports car drivers or motorcyclists. Noise levels in cars have come down quite strikingly in recent years and it should be possible to drive the smallest model at 70 mph on a motorway without having the eardrums assaulted.

The final word for the moment about choosing a car is to make sure



Return of the rotary—the Mazda RX-7

you try it before making a commitment. Ideally, try several and see how they compare. In the end a car is as much a matter of personal taste

as a painting or a piece of music. Road test: Mazda RX-7

The energy crisis dealt the Wankel rotary engine a blow from which it is only just starting to recover. Whatever may have been the advantages of the engine, smooth running, compactness, fewer moving parts, it had one overriding drawback and that was high fuel consumption. Once petrol prices soared and governments started energy saving campaigns, the Wankel was doomed

One casualty was the NSU Roso, an excellent car, in some respects ahead of its time; and a rotaryengined version of the Citroën GS, which had the ill luck to appear at the height of the oil crisis, was virtually stillborn. General Motors, whose enthusiasm for the Wankel in the early 1970s seemed to have assured its future, quietly pulled out as well.

But the company worse affected was the Japanese Toyo Kegyo, makers of the Mazda range. It was the first manufacturer to mass pro-duce rotary-engined cars, which by 1973 were accounting for half of its output. The oil crisis brought Toyo Kogyo to the verge of bank-ruptcy and it had to be rescued by a bank. For the next few years the company sought recovery by con-centrating on conventional, pistonengined vehicles.

For the Wankel it was back to the drawing board and attempts to overcome the fuel handicap. With the RX-7 sports coupé, announced in March, 1978, and introduced in Britain last autumn, Toyo Kogyo claimed to have found the answer. Fuel consumption was said to be. 40 per-cent better than on previous rotary cars and as good piston-engined models of similar

RX-7 engine has the equivalent of 2.3 litres capacity and delivers 105 bhp. The Mazda importers have produced a long list showing that on the official fuel consumption figures of 18:1 mpg on the urban cycle and 33.3 mpg at a constant 56 mph, the RX-7 fares as well, and in some cases better than suspension gives a firm many rivals.

Figures, of course, can be used to prove almost anything. I would not say that 18 mpg in town driving, which corresponds closely to what I obtained, is particularly good for a two-litre car. On the other hand, cruising on the motorway in fifth gear I returned at least 30 mpg. But if one is making comparisons, the RX-7 is somewhat less economical than other sports cars of similar size such as the Porsche 924, Triumph TR7 and-Ford Capri. As a small bonus, the Mazda does run on two-star fuel._

The Wankel smoothness is evident throughout the power range, but to be smooth is not necessarily to be quiet and there is a persistent drone, coupled with a sports car roar from the exhaust when the lined shape means that there is little wind noise.

On performance, the car is adequate, if not outstanding for its class. I found the compa mph acceleration times de optimistic, but ret break the law I am willing that the top speed is all mph. Certainly it is ne drop down from fifth to quick overtaking.

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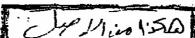
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with tathedrals, the topiarists and their green locomotives and jockeys, the gnomes and potes garden fixed to death, the potter's garden of stones, the lot and the symmetrical showpiece in which the a single weed would be a botanical solecism.

Tried me that Newsnight has been absent every Friday tonight, though (GBC 2, 10.45) it will be on from Monday to Friday and we must accept the editor's explanation that it was because of shortage ce and not because of any editorial judgment that tonsidered a newsless day, that Messrs Snow. considered a newsless day, that Messrs Snow, er and Miss Morrison and Co used to vanish into a d limbo at 11.30 every Thursday night.

ecommend you to watch the opening episode of 25 about the police, The Gentle Touch (ITV, 9.00) reason that I have not seen it. But what I have it is all in its favour, and certainly the central rigues—woman detective inspector in the Police (Jill Gascoine) married to a humble police to has lost his sense of vocation and wants to resign. decision is taken, most dramatically, out of his hands

ds tonight with Susan Hill's Here Comes the Bride

45), about wedding day nerves. This late-night as been a success, generally speaking, with the duds the winners. I believe there is a chance that, for conomy, Just Before Midnight will not return. be a pity, although the BBC cannot be accused of iver its drama output, as a quick flip through

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1.45 Camberwick Green: Animated puppet story for the very young. Close down at 2.00, 3.20 Pobol y Cwm; Serial in Weish; 3.55 Play School: Alma Marshak Whitney's story just Awful: 4.20 Rnobarb: Richard Briers tells the story of When the Pipes Called the Tune: 4.25 Baggy Pants and the Nijesite tenner.

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of plants that can be grown at 7.20 News: with sub-titles for the hard of hearing.

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9.30 am Animated Classic: Moby Dick, Very American version of the Meiville whaling story; 10.15 Canada: Five Portraits—St Lawrence valley, and Montreal Ir!; 11.05 The Love Boat: mediocre series, set on board a luxury liner; 11.55 The Bubblies: awful sounds from a windmill; 12.00 A Handful of Songs: from Maria Morgan and

of Songs: from Maria Morgan and Keith Field; 12.10 pm Once Upon a Time: The story of the Car-penter and the Robin.

12.30 Moneywise : Family-eye view

of finance matters. Items on pay comparability, with expert zui-dance from Derek Robinson, chair-man of many pay tribunals. Derek Cooper and Sueila Duffy are the co-presenters (r).

1.00 News. 1.20 Thames News. 1.30 Together: Life in a block of flats (contd). Martha Finch looks for some consolation.

BBC 2

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9.25 The Eddie Capra Mysteries: The young lawyer (Vincent Bag-getta) undertakes to clear a play-wright of the murder of a beaunful 4.50 Blue Peter: Special Assignment, Peter Purves presents this

7.30 The Comics: Old Mother Riley and her Daughter, Kitty: The truth about the private, prickly relationship between the music hall duo who argued so

6.40 am Open University: Drawings of Seurat; 7.05 Palaeomology and geological time: 7.30 Ellingham Diagrams. Closedown at 7.55. 11.00 Play School: Same as BBC 1, 3.55. Closedown at 11.25. 4.50 pm Open University: Exploring frequency space; 5.15 Oll: 5.40 Partial differential equations; 6.05 Nutridon feeding and digestion in animals; 6.30 Food retailing. 6.55 Gardeners' World: A visit in Dyffryn Gardens. near Cardiff. much publicly, too. people put some scarching ques-tions to Fiona Richmund whose uninhibited accounts of her sexual adventures have made her 2 anyentures have made her a notorious figure.

8.30 Vikings I: Fourth film in the Magnus Magnuson series. All about the Rus, the harbaric and mysterious Swedish Vikings, and Dyffryn Gardens, near Cardiff, with its fine palm house, cactus house and orchid collection. Lots

mysterious - Swedish Vikings, and the role they played in the history of Russia. 9.00 Pot Black 1980: Last-but-one game in the series. A two-trame encounter between Doug Mountjoy

2.45 Film: Steel Town (1951). Tough drama about the professional and rumaint rivalry between two steelmen (John Land and Roward Duff). Ann Sheridan

is the girl they both want. 4.15 The Boy Merlin: Re-run of

this six part serial about the magi-cian's boyhood days. With Douald Houston, Rachel Thomas, and Ian Rowlands as the apprentice wizard.

4.45 Magpie.
5.15 Emmerdale Farm: Amos tries to bring the sparkle back into Dolly's eyes.
5.45 News. 6.06 Thames News, 6.30 Thames Sport: with Allan Taylor, Brough Scott and John Taylor.

7.00 pm Play Your Cards Right: Bruce Forsyth, some giant cards, a public opinion poll, and a handful

public opinion poll, and a handral of contestants.
7.30 The Cannon and Ball show: With Tommy Cannon and Bobby Ball. Comedy sketches from this cheerful duo and an appearance by Diana Dors.
8.00 Hawaii Five-O: The hunt continues for the murderer of a state

London Weekend

versus Eddie Charlton or Denni Taylor, Grand final next week. 9.40 The Front Garden : Anothe chance to see Candida Lycent Green's marvellous film about some of the beautiful, awful, and funny things some Britons do with their front gardens. Not to be missed (see Personal Choice). 10.40 Cartoon Two: Le Cadeau. The trumpet that moos.

model, and puts his own love life

in jeopardy. 10.15 The Fall and Rise of Reginald Perrin : Leonard Rossiter

Reginald Perrin: Leonard Rossiter comedy series about a commune. Tonight: trouble srikes. 10.45 News headlines. 10.58 Fum: The Last Day (1975). Television western about the notorious Dalton gang, and the retired gunfighter (Richard Widmark) who is forced to contemplate work villings. Also starring Rar-

more killings. Also starring Bar-bara Rush and Robert Conrad (as Bob Dalton). Film ends at 12.30

Regions

10.45 Newsnight: News and current affairs (see Personal Choice). 11.30 The Outer Limits: American science fiction series. A landing on the Moon, and the tyrants who plan to conquer the galaxy. Star-ring Ruth Roman and Alex Nicol.* Ends at 12.25 am.

senamr. With Jack Lord as the Honolulu police chief. 5.00 The Gentle Touch: New, seven-part dramz series of self-contained stories about a woman detective-inspector (Jill Gascoine), marrid to a police constable (Leslie Schofield), Tonight, the Hus-band thinks of resigning, but something dramatic intervenes (see-Personal Choice). 10.00 News. 10.30 Soap: The con-

10.00 News, 10.30 Soap: The continuing story of two madcap american families, the Tates and the Campbells, who break most of the rules of situation comedy.

11.00 The London Programme: The punk rock bands who have brought big trouble to the popmusic scene to London. Way the record companies are doing so badly. Tyne Tees

11.45 Have Girls, Will Travel : New 11.45 Have Giris, Will Traver: New scries, about two investigative reporters, played by Priscilla Barnes and Debra Clinger. Touight, the case of the threatened Czechoslovak immigrant.

12.45 am Close: Evelyn Laye reads Wordsworth's Upon Westminster Bridge.

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Ravel, Massanet.† 9.00 News. 9.05 Week's Composer : Bach.† 10.00 Viola, plano: Hindemith, Shostakovich, Bartok.; 10.50 Chorus, pianos : William-

12.00 BBC Northern SO/Leppard, pt 1: Stravinsky, Mediner (Pno 1.00 pm News. 1.05 BBCNSO, pt 2: Shostakovich

1.35 Quartets (Medici): Ireland, Dvorak.† 2.25 Worcester Cathedral : reflec-tions in words and music.† 3.25 Harpsichord (Pinnock): Byrd, Randall, Bach, Scarlatti.†

A.10 Violin, pinao : Hindemith, Dvorak, von Zieritz, Bartok.† 4.55 News. 5.00 (mw and mone only from 6.20): Music for early evening.† 6.55 (mw only) : Play It Again : preview. 7.00 Vienna PO/Bernstein : Beet-7.00 Vienna PO'Bertstein; Beet-horen (Sym 1).†
7.30 Baritone, piano (Shirley-Quirk, Vignoles, live from Broad-casting Centre, Birmingham), pt
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8.10 Talk: Kaudinsky and the In-vention of Abstract Painting vention of Abstract Painting. 8.30 Shirley Quirk, pt 2: Britten (Blake sungs and proverbs).; 9.10 Doctor Fischer of Geneva (7).

18.45 Octet : Schubert.† VHF 6.00 am-7.00 Open - University:

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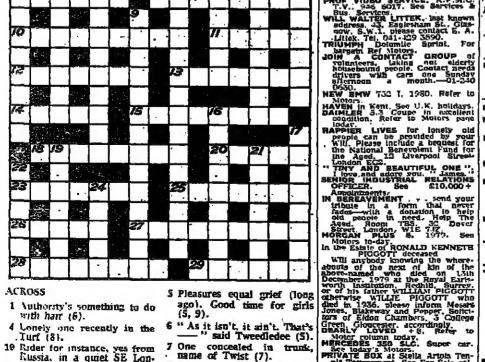
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